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Ambulance driver who admitted sexually grooming given sack

52-year-old man was caught during sting

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A HARLOW ambulance driver who was arrested after an undercover sting has been sacked after admitting sexually grooming a child.

Married Stephen Youens, 52, of Five Acres in Harlow, was arrested on Monday, October 10, and was charged with sexual grooming the following day.

Youens turned up to an agreed location after arranging to meet the child who he believed was under the age of 16.

He became spooked after believing he was being set up.

A group of investigative journalists, CSE Interceptors, traced his home address and alerted police to his activities.

Essex Police attended the property and took him into custody where he was later charged.

Youens, a senior technician for the East of England Ambulance Service, based in Loughton, was suspended when the allegations came to light and has now been

dismissed following his guilty plea.

A spokesperson for the ambulance service said: "We condemn the behaviour and actions of this member of staff and have dismissed them from the service."

"When we became aware of the allegations, we immediately suspended the member of staff pending further police action."

"We have co-operated with the police and have worked closely with them throughout the investigation."

Support

"We are also offering support to our staff who have been affected by this shocking news."

Youens appeared before Chelmsford Crown Court on Wednesday November 8, when he pleaded guilty to one count of attempting to meet a child following sexual grooming.

His sentencing hearing will take place at the same court in the week commencing Monday, December 4.



Stephen Youens



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THE TOP 10 THINGS TO DO THIS WEEK



Visitors of all ages will be turning back the clock when Sawbridgeworth's annual Nostalgia Day returns this weekend

WALK THE WALK

TREE WALK: HARLOW TOWN PARK, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, FROM 10AM TO 11.30AM

To celebrate National Tree Week, go along and enjoy a walk in the park to enjoy the greenery Harlow has to offer. Meet at School Lane car park, Harlow Town Park.

To book and more information: 01279 435466 or email mike.levett@harlow.gov.uk. The walk is free but booking is recommended.

FAYRE ENOUGH

CHRISTMAS FAYRE: PETS' CORNER, TOWN PARK, HARLOW, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, FROM 11AM TO 3PM

Friends of Pets' Corner hosts various Christmas stalls to get you ready for the season including: The Owl experience from 11am -12:30 and 2pm - 3pm £2 per hold, Reindeer photo opportunities from 1pm-2pm free but all donations gratefully received, Friends of Pets' Corner stand, raffle, stocking filler toys, Christmas gift stalls, face painting and glitter tattoos, cakes, handmade gifts and more. Free entry.

WAXING LYRICAL

ADAM SMITH'S BLACK WAX:

PHOENIX LIVE, 15-17 WEST GATE HARLOW, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, FROM 4.30PM TO 7PM

The second instalment in the series of live sessions supported by Harlow is 70 will see London-based garage pop rockers The Teamsters return to Harlow.

Doors open 4.30pm Broadcast at 5pm, for information visit www.blackwax.uk Free entry.

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FESTIVE SONGS

CAROL CONCERT: BANDSTAND, HARLOW TOWN PARK, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, AT 6PM

Milwards Primary School's carol concert will be held and everyone is invited to enjoy the occasion. Free to attend.

A DAM GOOD DAY

PUBLIC EVENT - PARNDON AND RISDEN WOODS LEAKY DAMS

PROJECT: PARNDON WOODS CONSERVATION CENTRE, HARLOW, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, FROM 4PM TO 7PM

Special 'leaky dams' are set to be created in Parndon and Ridsen Woods to help tackle flooding issues for Harlow residents. You can find out more about this project at this special public information event today

Describing themselves as a rock, punk, funk and soul band from Hertfordshire, the Arch Rivals consist of four members and are playing this weekend. Free admission.

MUST-SEE FILMS

SAFFRON SCREEN: AUDLEY END ROAD, SAFFRON WALDEN, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10 TO MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Screening arthouse and mainstream films, this independent community cinema have some must-see films coming up, such as Kingsman: The Golden Circle and Goodbye Christopher Robin. A pop-up screening at Swards End Village Hall will be showing the Steven Spielberg adaptation of War Horse.

Prices vary from £4.50 to £7.90 depending on age and time of viewing, family tickets are also available. Online bookings can be made at: www.saffronscreen.com, or you can get in touch with the box office on: 01799 500238.

DAY OF NOSTALGIA

MEMORIAL DAY: SAWBRIDGEWORTH MEMORIAL HALL, THE FOREBURY, SAWBRIDGEWORTH, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, FROM 10.30AM

The annual Nostalgia Day event is back for another year. With a variety of different activities, including rides in military vehicles, memorial wreath laying and a performance from Diverse Performing Arts students and much more, this is an event to not be missed.

All donations will go to the Royal British Legion. Entry is free.

For further information head to: www.sawbridgeworth-tc.gov.uk/upcoming-events/event/nostalgia-day2 or www.facebook.com/events/279570539201722/

(Thursday, November 9) between 4pm and 7pm at the Parndon Woods Conservation Centre.

For more information on flooding and the project visit: flood.essex.gov.uk/ and www.harlow.gov.uk/public-event-parndon-and-ridsen-woods-leaky-dams-project Free entry.

CHRISTMAS FUN

CHRISTMAS FAYRE: ST MARY THE VIRGIN CHURCH, WRIGHTS GREEN LANE, LITTLE HALLINGBURY, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, FROM 10AM

In aid of St Clare Hospice, and with Christmas fast approaching, Little Hallingbury is putting on a Christmas Fayre which will feature a range of local artisan stalls, tea, cakes, raffles and much more.

For more information, contact Dani De'ath, the St Clare community fundraising leader, on: 01279 773738 or 07718 257704. Or you can send an email to: dani@stclarehospice.org.uk

PUNK AND FUNK

THE ARCH RIVALS: STANSTEAD MOUNTFITCHET SOCIAL CLUB, 10-12 LOWER STREET, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11 AT 8PM AND SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, AT 11PM



Mark Prisk MP with protesters outside the council offices

Photo: ALISON JENKINS

Protesters give views on plans for housing

Opposition to proposal for 10,000 homes at Gilston Park

By Huw Wales

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DOZENS of protesters gathered outside the office of East Hertfordshire District Council (EHDC) to make their views heard about proposals for Gilston Park ahead of the district plan inquiry.

Plans for 10,000 new homes as part of a Gilston Park garden town are strongly opposed by community groups, who believe that the proposals aren't well thought out.

The district plan, which the Gilston Park development is part of, is being examined by a Government inspector at a public inquiry.

More than 60 people gathered at the offices on Wallfields in Hertford, including a large group who

had been bussed in from Hunsdon and East Wych.

Anthony Bickmore, chairman of the Hunsdon, East Wych and Gilston Neighbourhood Plan Planning Group, said: "What we hope to achieve is to get the inspector to realise that this is not a sound plan because the detail hasn't been thought through."

Inquiry

The protest was also supported by the local MP, who has opposed the plans for the new development for several years and was taking part in the inquiry.

Mark Prisk, MP for Hertford and Stortford, said: "This is a technical examination but it is about how we as a community say how we feel about plans."

"Most of this will be technical

detail but it is important we say and show as a community how we feel and I support this protest."

The proposals before the Government planning inspector are for 10,000 homes, schools, health care and transport links between seven villages that would make up the development.

However campaign groups such as Stop Harlow North say that the plan would destroy the green belt, cause chaos on the roads and would put more pressure on Princess Alexandra hospital, which is already struggling.

Bob Toll, chairman of Hunsdon Parish Council, said: "We are not going to be forgiven if the green belt is destroyed."

A spokeswoman for EHDC said: "At Wednesday morning's Examination in Public of the council's

district plan, the inspector was reviewing the plans for the Gilston area."

"Interested parties were welcome to come and watch the meeting and were also able to view it via webcast from the comfort of their own homes."

Residents

"Around 75 residents were accommodated by the council when they came to listen to the hearings in the council chamber and in an overflow room equipped with live webcast."

"Following the close of the hearing sessions, the inspector will produce a report for the council setting out her recommendations on the plan."

"If there are modifications to the plan proposed, these will be consulted on in due course."

Controversial Gilden Way development set for an imminent start

A MUCH anticipated housing development of 1,200 homes on one of the main routes into Harlow is set to start imminently.

The Gilden Way development on farmland bordering Old Harlow, could start as early as next month, according to a spokesperson for Persimmon Homes, which along with Barratt and Taylor Wimpey has committed to the major housing development off the B183 between Harlow and Sheering.

Permission

The three housing companies have asked for permission to build an access road off Marsh Lane to develop the site over the next five years.

The development, which will include a new primary school, community buildings and retail and business units together with associated allotments and public open space has caused considerable controversy with neighbours who say the development will add to the traffic congestion on Gilden Way.

Gilden Way is itself set to be upgraded into a three-lane carriageway as part of the plans to improve the M11 junction 7a when work is set to start on the junction this winter.

An outline application for the full Gilden Way housing scheme was thrown out by the Labour-run council in 2012 but the

decision was overturned by the former Secretary of State for local government, Eric Pickles MP.

One resident who lives close told the council the access road plans need to be rejected.

He said: "Marsh Lane should not be used as an exit."

"Any cars turning Marsh Lane at the same time a 10-metre tipper is exiting would have to wait on Gilden Way. Which is dangerous."

"Any pedestrians could not use Marsh Lane at the same time as a tipper. Just having signage is not sufficient, Marsh Lane was never designed for this kind of use."

"Horses and riders use this lane - there is no signage."

The application will be discussed by Harlow Council at a later date.

Exciting

Persimmon Homes describes the development as "an exciting new development located on the outskirts of Harlow. With a mix of one and two-bedroom apartments and a range of two, three, four and five-bedroom homes."

Taylor Wimpey describes it as "nestled between the rolling Essex countryside and the established area of Old Harlow, Gilden Way" and adds that it "is an exciting new community with exceptional commuter links into London".



The Gilden Way development will be on farmland near Old Harlow

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One of the biggest free-admission events in East of England

By Adam Spartley
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HARLOW'S 70th birthday celebrations continued with a bang as the town's hugely successful Bonfire Night event returned.

Roughly 22,000 people arrived at Harlow Town Park on Sunday evening to witness the spectacular fireworks display, and were not left disappointed.

It continues to be one of the biggest free admission fireworks displays in the East of England, with visitors taking full advantage of the food and refreshments on offer.

The night kicked off at 6pm with the Playhouse stage offering up entertainment from The Pauline Quirke academy, Hip Hop Pop and many more before Harlow Councillor Sue Livings joined West End star Rob Houchen, who is playing Peter Pan in the upcoming show at the Playhouse, for the lighting of the bonfire.

Councillor Emma Toal, Harlow Council's portfolio holder for youth and community, said: "This annual event continues to be one of the biggest

and best in the area and something Harlow is very proud of.

"This year's event was the Council's finale to the town's 70th birthday celebrations and it proved to be a great night.

"A proper organised public display like this means that many local families can celebrate this occasion together in safety. It also encourages families not to organise their own events at home. Every year we receive positive feedback from local families who attend the event and this year it is the same.

Commitment

"We pride ourselves on ensuring we listen to all feedback so we can continue making improvements to future events. Events like this would not happen if it wasn't for the hard work and commitment on the day and throughout the evening of Council staff, stewards, volunteers and Great Parndon Community Association.

"I thank them for all their efforts and for once again putting together a great event for local families."



Chair of the Harlow Council Sue Livings prepares to light the bonfire

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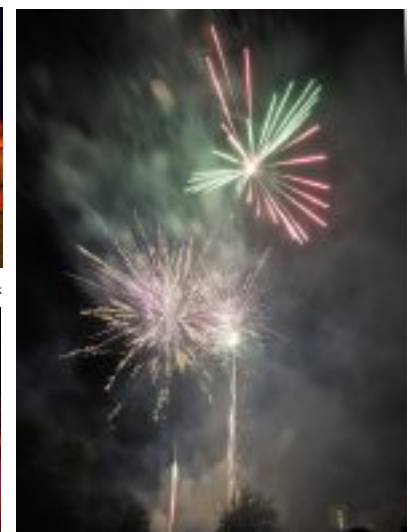
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RICS

Psychoactive drug spice leaves teen hospitalised

17-year-old unaware cigarette contained highly-addictive substance

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A TEENAGE boy became seriously ill in Harlow after smoking a cigarette unknowingly containing the highly addictive 'zombie' drug, spice.

Police are now trying to trace witnesses who went to the aid of the 17-year-old after he was given what he believed to be an innocent roll-up.

In fact, it contained the psychoactive drug that can leave people resembling the "walking dead".

Scores of towns and cities across the UK, including Glasgow, Kilmarnock and Aberdeen, have seen the terrifying drug epidemic hit the streets as desperate users turn to the lethal hallucinogenic.

It has so far been linked to more than 100 deaths.

Spice has wreaked havoc within the walls of top-security Addiewell prison, landing nine guards in hospital after they inhaled fumes wafting from cells where the drug was being smoked.

Unaware

Police in Harlow received reports that the 17-year-old was with two other teenage boys in East Walk, Harlow, at around 3pm on Tuesday, October 24 when one offered him a cigarette.

He was unaware it contained a psychoactive substance.

The teenager collapsed and became seriously ill.

The two other boys left the scene.

He required hospital treatment and has since been discharged.

Investigating officer: Detective Constable Jo Snell, said: "Several members of the public stopped to help him until an ambulance arrived.

"I am keen to speak to them as they may have information that can help with the investigation and would ask them to please get in touch.

"I would like to take this opportunity to remind people of the



dangers of these substances, which although commonly known as 'legal highs', their production, distribution, sale and supply is banned in the UK.

"In many cases, they can be significantly stronger than even traditional types of illegal drug."

Anyone with information

about this incident is asked to contact DC Snell at Harlow CID on 101 or report online at www.essex.police.uk/do-it-online

Alternatively, they can contact independent crime-fighting charity Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or www.crimestoppers-uk.org.

Sex assault and kidnap suspect in court

A 40 YEAR-OLD man from Harlow has been charged in relation to an incident where a child was allegedly grabbed and sexually assaulted.

The incident is alleged to have occurred near a garage area in Little Brays, just off Tillwicks Road, at around 3.45pm on Thursday last week.

Essex Police have now confirmed a man has been arrested and charged with offences against a child in Harlow.

Darren Sellen, 40, of Church Leys, Harlow, was arrested last Friday on suspicion of kidnap, sexual assault and breaching a sexual offences order.

Hearing

He was later charged with the offences and appeared at Chelmsford Magistrates' Court on Monday.

He was remanded in custody and will now appear at Chelmsford Crown Court for a plea hearing on Monday, December 4.

The victim is receiving care from specialised officers.

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Campaigns dispute airport claim of need to increase passenger cap

CAMPAIGNERS have hit back at plans for a huge expansion at London Stansted after the airport claimed that a cap on passenger numbers was restricting its potential growth.

The Essex airport, which is owned by Manchester Airports Group (MAGs), is subject to a planning cap that prevents it from handling more than 35 million passengers per annum (mppa).

Following a period of "extensive consultation with local communities over the summer" Stansted now says it wants to see this increased to 43 mppa — a slight reduction on the 44.5 mppa it was originally

aiming for, but a huge increase on the 26 million passengers it currently caters for.

However, according to the UK Aviation Forecast published at the end of October, the Government expects Stansted to handle just 31 mppa by 2030 and 35 mppa by 2033, based on the assumption that current planning caps remain in place.

Should a new runway be built at Heathrow as planned, the forecast for passenger numbers at Stansted then drops to 22 mppa in 2030, consequently only reaching the present cap of 35 mppa in 2043.

Commenting on the findings, Stop Stansted Expansion (SSE)

Chairman Peter Sanders said: "MAG's overstatement of potential demand to secure support for expansion is nothing more than an opportunistic ploy."

However, Stansted Airport has pointed out that the Government recognises that its forecasts are "not intended to provide detailed projections for each individual airport", and that airport specific data may be used to inform local planning decisions.

A spokesman for the airport said: "Growth at Stansted over the last five years has significantly exceeded the previous projections from both Government and the Airports Commission."

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Christos Christopher Nicolas was jailed for two years and six months

Man is jailed for being in money laundering gang

Court hears details of cash transactions

By **Matthew Mohan-Hickson**

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A ROYDON man has been jailed for two and a half years for his role in a money laundering gang.

Christos Christopher Nicolas, 52, of Standfast, Occupation Lane, and nine other men were convicted for their involvement with the concealment and facilitation of substantial sums of cash derived from crime.

He was jailed for two years and six months, after being found guilty of money laundering, on August 2.

However reporting restrictions had remained in place until the conclusion of a second related trial on Thursday of last week.

The gang, led by Thomas Adams, 59, were arrested after a complex investigation by the Met's Serious and Organised Crime Command, which began in February 2014.

Evidence gathered from the home address of Steve Mardon during those raids included a series of ledgers, detailing criminal cash transactions.

A search of Mardon's home address also resulted in more than £110,000 being found in a floor safe.

This was ascertained to be criminal property.

DI Jo Van der Waag of the Met's Serious and Organised Crime Command, said: "The instigator of this criminal enterprise is Thomas Adams, a man who appeared to have access to considerable amounts of capital, despite no identifiable or legitimate means of support, and no financial footprint in the UK."

"Adams appeared to have a 'ghost-like' existence, concealing the true ownership of his properties and other assets, all done with the distinct purpose of avoiding detection from law enforcement authorities."

Financier

The court heard during the first trial that Mardon helped Adams launder money and obtain goods and acted as Adams' financier dealing with day-to-day transactions.

Adams was sentenced to seven years in prison for money laundering, and Mardon was jailed for five years.

The second trial concluded after Adams' son Shaun Adams, 32, pleaded guilty to money laundering, receiving a six-month prison sentence, suspended for 12 months.

Enfield man Loukas Menikou, 55, of Games Road, also pleaded guilty to money laundering and was sentenced to ten months in jail, which has also been suspended for 12 months.

The second trial related to the purchase, redevelopment, rental and part-sale of a former public house in Blondin Street, Bow, East London, using fraudulent mortgage transactions which were carried out at the instruction of Thomas Adams.

At sentencing, the judge praised counsel and detectives from the Met's Serious and Organised Crime Command for the efforts put into the investigation and prosecution.

Detective chief superintendent Mick Gallagher, head of the Met's Serious and Organised Crime Command, said: "Today is the culmination of several years' work by the Met's Serious and Organised Crime Command and I would like to pay tribute to my team of detectives who have worked tirelessly to bring these individuals to justice."

He added: "For too long organised gangs have used advances in technology to hide their criminal gains and this operation and others like it are the Met's response."

Accolade for regional park authority for investing in its stalwart band of helpers

Volunteer award for Lee Valley



Volunteers at Lee Valley 'help make Lee Valley Regional Park a world class visitor destination'

By Star staff

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LEE Valley Regional Park Authority has once again achieved the highly regarded Investing in Volunteers Quality standard, acknowledging the Authority's success in recruiting, supporting and retaining volunteers.

Investing in Volunteers is the UK quality standard for all organisations involving volunteers.

It is based on four areas of volunteer management; planning for volunteer involvement, recruiting volunteers, selecting and matching volunteers and supporting and retaining volunteers. Lee Valley Regional Park Authority was assessed against these criteria and proved to excel in all aspects of working with its volunteers.

The assessors were particularly impressed with the Authority's commitment to their volunteers and their recognition initiatives which include a volunteer's annual party and award ceremony and a discount card to use at the different venues across the park.

Tremendous

Paul Roper, Volunteer and community engagement manager, said: "This is the 12th consecutive year that the authority has held this award for its volunteer programme – an incredible achievement."

"I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our volunteers who give a tremendous amount of their time and enthusiasm to help make Lee Valley Regional Park a world class visitor destination."

"Their tireless support has a transformative effect across our open spaces and venues and we are stronger providing an enhanced service for their continuing commitment and dedication."

Currently, there are over 600 active volunteers helping Lee Valley Regional Park. Drawn from all parts of the community, they are involved in a range of activities, from working on events at our Olympic legacy venues, gardening, wildlife surveys and conservation management in our open spaces, to driving 'Tex' the tractor at Lee Valley Park Farms.

To sign up for volunteering opportunities across Lee Valley Regional Park Authority, please register at www.visitleevalley.org.uk/volunteers or email volunteers@leevalley-park.org.uk.

FACT FILE

■ Lee Valley Regional Park stretches 26 miles along the River Lee from Ware in Hertfordshire to East India Dock Basin on the Thames and offers a range of activities from cycling, white water sports and angling to horse riding, ice skating and camping

■ The Park Authority has held the Investing in Volunteers award for 12 consecutive years and there is an array of volunteering opportunities within the Park

■ Sport-related volunteering roles, including supporting major events, are available at world class venues including London 2012 legacy venues Lee Valley VeloPark and Lee Valley Hockey and Tennis Centre on Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park and Lee Valley White Water Centre in Waltham Cross, Hertfordshire

■ Nature, conservation and biodiversity volunteering opportunities are available across open spaces, gardens

and heritage sites. Roles also exist across the many diverse venues including campsites, marinas, fisheries and farms.

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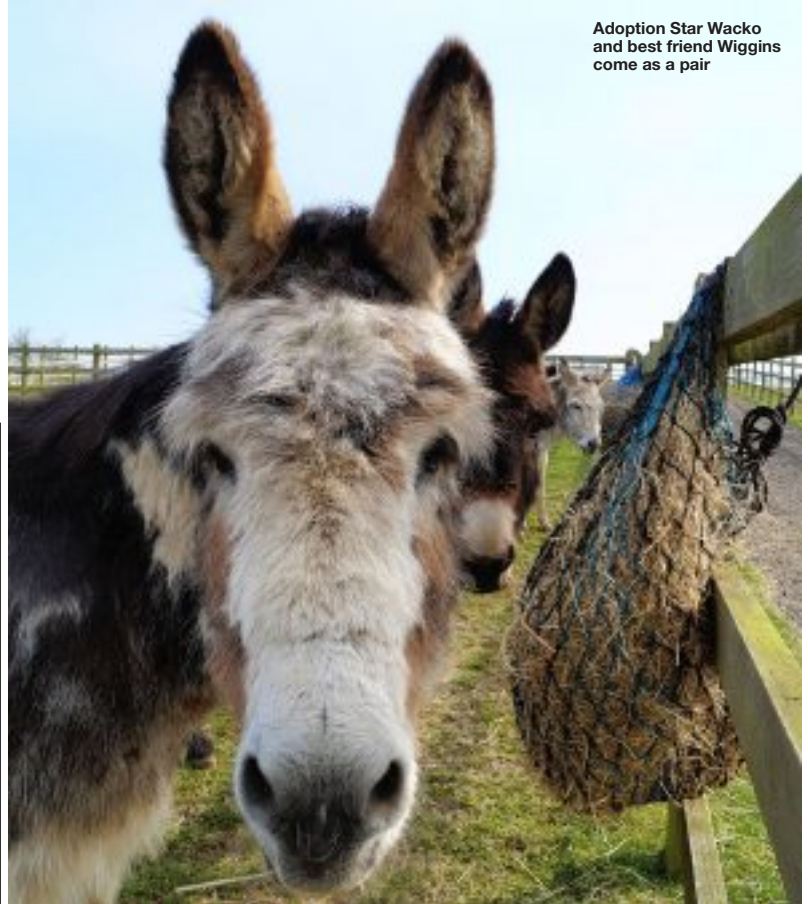
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Adoption Star Wacko and best friend Wiggins come as a pair

Want a special festive present? Sponsor a horse

By **Star staff**

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A HORSE sanctuary is urging animal lovers to sponsor a four-legged friend as a Christmas present.

Redwings Horse Sanctuary says that sponsoring a rescued horse or donkey not only makes a unique gift but also comes with extra fun features to help your loved one get closer to their equine pal.

Redwings was established in 1984 and has a sanctuary in Roydon. It has grown to be the largest horse sanctuary in the UK, working to save horses, ponies, donkeys and mules whose future would otherwise be bleak.

Following a merger with Mountains Animal Sanctuary in Scotland in January 2015, the charity now cares for more than 1,500 rescued horses and donkeys at ten centres around the UK every day and has a further 500 living out in Guardian homes.

In 2018, Redwings commemorates the ten-year anniversary of the Amersham rescue – one of the charity's most harrowing welfare cases in which more than 100 horses, ponies and donkeys were

rescued from horrific conditions at Spindle Farm.

Now the completely publicly funded horse rescue charity has relaunched its new-look Adoption Scheme, which supports hundreds of horses and donkeys in need every year.

The scheme, which has been running for more than 30 years, allows supporters to sponsor one or more of Redwings' "Adoption Star" horses, ponies, donkeys and mules with all the money going towards the care of their rescued friend and other residents across the Sanctuary – of which there are more than 1,500.

Package

While previously sponsors had chosen between receiving letters from their Adoption Star in the post or accessing updates from their friend through an online blog, these options have now been combined into one new package for a cost of £15 per year.

Those looking to sponsor a Redwings Adoption Star for Christmas will receive:

- An adoption pack including a certificate, beautiful photograph and the Adoption Star's story;
- Postal updates on their adventures and antics;

- An invitation to the Adoption Star's birthday party;
- An online diary featuring photo galleries, videos and blogs about their life at Redwings;
- The chance to visit the Adoption Star for free at their home;
- A Friendship Card to treasure as a reminder of their adoption.

Lynn Cutress, Redwings' chief executive, said: "Adopting a Redwings horse or donkey makes a beautiful gift for yourself or a loved one."

"It's the next best thing to owning your own, and you can enjoy all the fun of getting to know your new four-legged friend without the hard work and expense of looking after them every day."

"Christmas is a time of happiness and love, but sadly many of our Adoption Stars were deprived of these simple things in their early lives."

"Giving just £15 per year in sponsorship will ensure your friend and all our rescued residents continue to enjoy a safe and happy home at Redwings."

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Those little yellow boxes are everywhere – but many of them are just a deterrent

Only 1 in 3 speed cameras working

By Piers Meyler

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SPEED cameras in Essex are not all working as you might expect, it has been revealed.

Of the roughly 100 fixed speed cameras in the county, only 33 are active, data from the Press Association has shown.

It leaves Essex with the one of the smallest proportions of operational speed cameras in the country.

A spokesman for Essex Police said: "Safety cameras significantly help to reduce the numbers of serious collisions.

"Whether they are active or not they act as a deterrent, preventing people from driving at illegal and dangerous speeds.

"Fixed cameras are just one of a whole range of tools we use to address driver behaviour to improve the safety of all road users and it is important to recognise the full range of engagement, enforcement and educational

opportunities rather than to depend on the use of technology to enforce.

"Irrespective of whether cameras are active or not, the easiest way to not get caught speeding is by not doing it at all."

Some of the most lucrative speed cameras are positioned on the approach to the Queen Elizabeth II bridge.

The average speed camera snapped 12,653 motorists in 2014, which is the equivalent to almost 35 drivers every day. This means there was the potential to rake in more than £1.2 million.

Profitable

The total number of offences recorded on the A282 was more than triple the second-most profitable speed trap, found on the A127 near Rayleigh.

A separate Freedom of Information request made to Essex Police earlier this year revealed the staggering amount that has been spent on repairing speed



A speed camera is focussed on traffic... but is it actually operational?

cameras in the last five years.

Between January 2012 and June 2017, £63,300 has been spent on repairing 16 damaged speed cameras across the county.

Of the 16 cameras damaged, 13 were set alight and three were struck by vehicles.

Non-working or faulty speed cameras allowed four reckless

motorists to go unpunished for tearing along the A12 at up to 140mph due to technical errors with average speed cameras in a 40mph zone, we reported earlier in the year.

A vehicle was clocked at 140mph between the Brook Street and Mountnessing roundabout at 7.12am on Friday, March 20, while

other vehicles were also clocked at 136mph, 135mph and 117mph.

However on two of the occasions the camera was unable to identify the vehicles and at the other two there were camera sight issues.

Edmund King, president of motoring group AA, said: "Many of the empty yellow cases are due

to cuts in road safety grants and the fact that digital cameras, although more effective, are very expensive.

"It is also reflective of the fact that proceeds from cameras are no longer allowed to be ring-fenced to be reinvested into yet more cameras as now all the money goes to the Treasury."

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Tesco in Church Langley Way is not closing, despite online rumours

Shoppers' relief as Tesco denies reports of closure

HARLOW shoppers can breathe a sign of relief as the town's Tesco superstore is not closing down.

Rumours have been rife that the supermarket in Church Langley Way would soon shut up shop for good.

Gossip

Further gossip on social media suggested the Tesco would be taken over by Morrisons, the UK's fourth largest supermarket chain.

However, the Harlow Star can reveal that there are no plans in place for the store to close.

In addition to a senior member of staff confirming they were not going anywhere, a national spokeswoman for the brand has reiterated the message.

She said: "I can confirm that we are not shutting down that store. "We have not got any plans to close the supermarket."

Would you be prepared to pay more tax for policing?

Accused ex-teacher suffocated himself



PFCC Roger Hirst – flanked by officers – wants Essex residents to share their views

A FORMER teacher who had been arrested in relation to historic child sex offences at a former boarding school suffocated himself before charges could be brought against him.

John Stagg, 65, a former teacher at Elmbridge boarding school in Fyfield, Ongar, was arrested on October 28, 2015, before a file was passed to the Crown Prosecution Service for a decision on charging Stagg with five counts of buggery and eight counts of indecent assault.

While a decision was being made to charge Stagg, who had changed his name to John Davison, he was found dead at his address in Upminster on December 7, 2016, with a bag secured around his head.

The former music teacher, of Brambles Lane who also had high levels of codeine, antihistamine and paracetamol in his blood, had previously sent a letter to a friend warning them of his intentions to kill himself.

Abusing

Stagg had already been jailed for two-and-a-half years for seducing and sexually abusing his teenage pupils at one of Birmingham's top grammar schools in 1998.

He taught at King Edward VI School for Boys in Aston and encouraged his victims to come back to his flat in Erdington where he plied them with drink and drugs and showed pornographic videos.

Another of the school's former staff, Brian Truan, was last week cleared of a string of sexual offences.

Mr Truan, 80, was found not guilty of a string of offences at the school in Ongar, that were alleged to have happened between July 1985 and January 1988.

He has been cleared of all charges he faced including masturbation of a child and indecent assault after it was claimed he bathed several boys inappropriately at his home and at the school.

Crime commissioner wants to gauge opinion before raising precept

By Richard Duggan
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ESSEX residents are being asked to consider whether they would be willing to pay more council tax in exchange for increased levels of policing.

Roger Hirst, the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner for the county, wants to gauge the public's view before taking the decision to raise the precept for police funding.

Funding for our local police force comes from two sources – central government and local council tax.

Taking these two funding sources into account, Essex Police

receives the lowest funding per resident of any force in the country and has the sixth lowest council tax for policing.

"I want to provide the best service possible for the people of Essex and increasing investment will help me deliver this," said Mr Hirst.

Precept

"I'm not expecting any increase in central Government funding for this year but I can raise the police precept.

"However, before I make that decision I want to know what the views of the public are so I can take them into account."

"Earlier this year, the council

tax for policing was increased by 3.25 per cent, which meant the average Band D property paid £4.95 more per year.

"The increase saw an additional investment of £3.1 million, which helped fund the first phase of a programme to double the number of Special Constables to 700 by 2019.

"It also allowed Essex Police to increase the number of police officers to 2,850, an increase of 41 officers for regular front line policing, for the Serious Crime Directorate and for additional firearm officers.

"At every public meeting I attend I hear that the residents want more police on the streets

and whilst both Essex Police and I are doing everything we can to make that happen.

"We don't have the money or resources to deliver it in the best way that we want to," Mr Hirst added.

"The demand on the police service is rising.

Shift

"New crime types are emerging and existing crime is rising in its complexity, this is against a backdrop of an unprecedented shift in the national security environment.

"My question to the public is this – do they want to pay more for those extra resources?"

The recent council tax increase also saw 15 additional police staff added to the Force Control Room to manage additional demand and improve the 101 contact service as well as investment in dealing with cybercrime.

The proposed online survey, which has been approved by members of the Police, Fire and Crime Panel, will be live from 1am on Monday, November 6.

And it will close at midnight on Sunday, November 19.

Essex residents can have their say by taking part in the survey.

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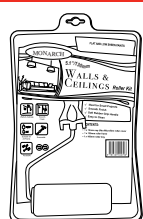
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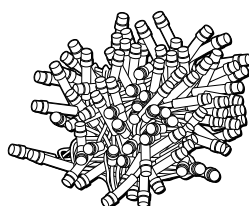
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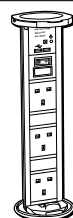
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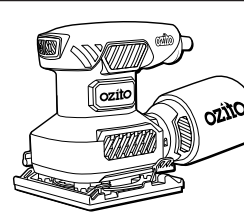
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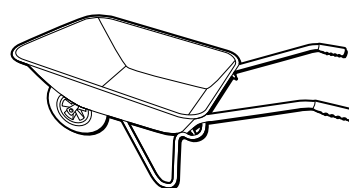
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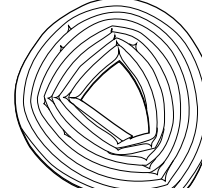
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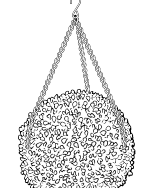
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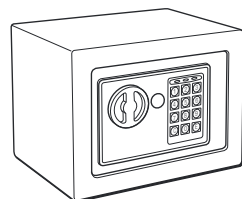
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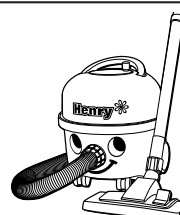
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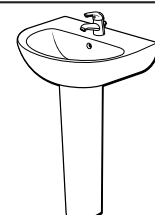
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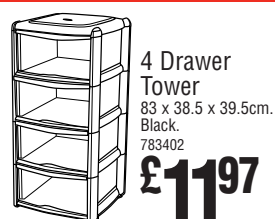
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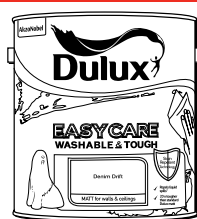
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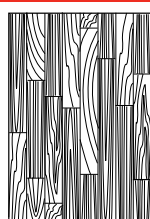
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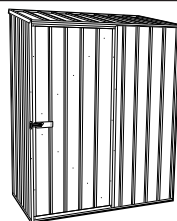
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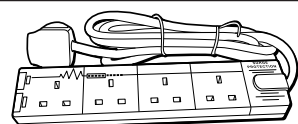
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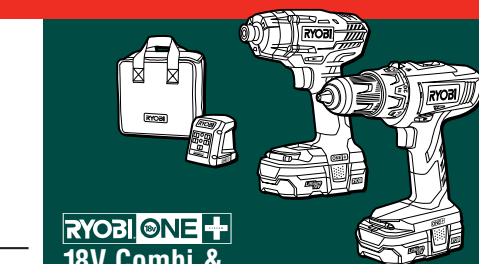
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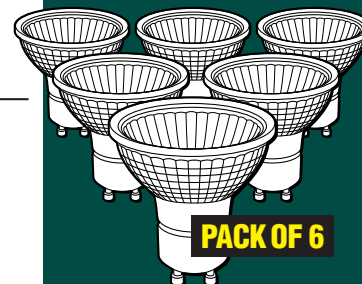


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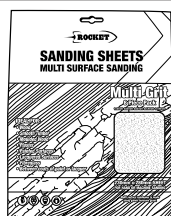
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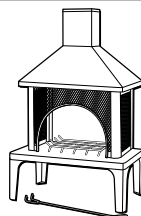
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The Legion was granted 'Royal' status in 1971.

The Poppy Appeal is the Legion's biggest fundraising campaign held every year in October and November, the period of Remembrance. Anyone can become a member of The Royal British Legion. The Legion welcomes men and women of all ages, whether they have served in the Armed Forces or not, to continue the work that was begun nearly 100 years ago. The Legion provides financial, social and emotional support to members and veterans of the British Armed Forces, their families and their dependants.

In 2017 the Legion wants to encourage the public not only to remember those who served in the First and Second World Wars, but also remember the sacrifices made by all generations of the Armed Forces.

During the Poppy Appeal 2017 over 45 million poppies will be distributed by 150,000 dedicated collectors. The Legion runs a Contact Centre which operates 12 hours a day, seven days a week. The Legion has close links to many other charities, organisations and trusts, enabling it to draw on the best resources and expertise, and to refer people to those best equipped to help them. There are approximately 2,500 Royal British Legion branches across the UK and overseas providing comradeship and supporting the Legion as a charity. The charity provided £27m to establish and operate The Battle Back Centre, in Lilleshall, Shropshire, which provides sports and adventurous training, as part of its commitment to support

wounded, injured and sick Service personnel. The Legion runs 16 Pop-in Centres across the country in cities including Manchester, London, Plymouth, Newcastle and Birmingham. Each pop-in centre plays host to a welfare team who provide everything from food vouchers, to white and brown goods. It also runs six care homes providing nursing care for 400 ex-servicemen and women and their dependents. The Legion provides war pensions and compensation assistance to beneficiaries appealing decisions taken on payments. The Legion has a team of 16 benefits, money and debt advisors who are community-based

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He continued: "Of course we are primarily about helping people get from A to B, but we also want to provide a fantastic customer experience. Going forward, we aim to maintain our strong relationships with local communities around the airport and we have a range of employment initiatives which are helping to build the workforce of the future."

Chris also discussed the airport's plans for the next 12 months: "One of the key things for us is growth," he said. "We

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Investing

Managing and investing in that growth is also important with plans for a new arrivals building. We are doing works on the runway to ensure we are making full use of it so there will be lots of investment around passenger experience. Another priority is working hand in hand with the local community in order to be a better neighbour and we are working with local councils to achieve this. We are also providing the destinations, routes and networks to help local businesses in Essex flourish."

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'We want to provide a fantastic customer experience' – Chris Wiggan, Head of External Affairs

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Bereavements

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Patricia MARTIN (nee Goodchild)

Passed away peacefully on 2nd November 2017. Beloved wife of Derek, much loved mum of Paul, James and Suzanne, nan and great-nan.

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Michael MIDDLETON Mike

Died on the 3rd November 2017. Loving husband to Patsy and wonderful Father to Sue, Stephen and Katie. Best Granddad to Pippa, Michaela, Rachel, Lizzy, Sammy, Joshua, Hannah, James and Lexie. Friend to many. We loved you dearly as you loved us. Funeral at Harlow Crematorium 17th November 10.45 then Canons Brook Golf Club to celebrate Mikes life.

Vivien Eustace PARKINSON (Robin)

On 27th October, aged 97.

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Barbara SCHUMACHER

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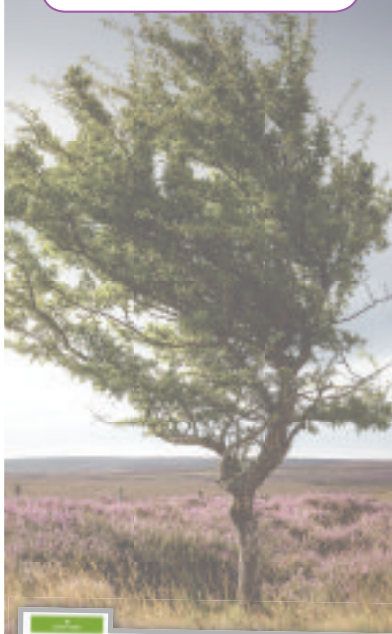
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FILM REVIEWS

With Darryl Webber

ALSO OUT THIS WEEK

PROFESSOR MARSTON AND THE WONDER WOMEN (15)

Released earlier in the summer, comic book blockbuster *Wonder Woman* broke box office records, becoming the highest grossing film of all time by a female director. Professor Marston And The Wonder Women is a biographical drama directed by Angela Robinson, which examines the history of the fictional Wonder Woman character and the real-life love stories, which fed into storylines on the page.

Harvard professor William Moulton Marston (Luke Evans) is happily married to his scholarly wife, Elizabeth (Rebecca Hall). In 1928, he hires a new teaching assistant, Olive Byrne (Bella Heathcote).

Olive works alongside the Marstons, who invent the lie detector and also propose theories on interaction between humans. Olive becomes the third point of a volatile love triangle with husband and wife, and when the trio moves to New York, Elizabeth and Olive both fall pregnant by William.

In this new environment, William meets shopkeeper Charles Guyette (JJ Feild) and becomes fascinated with fetishistic and sadomasochistic art. This newfound interest sows the seeds of a comic book about an Amazon princess with alluring attire published by Max Gaines (Oliver Platt).

NO STONE UNTURNED (TBC)

Oscar-winning writer-director Alex Gibney (*Taxi To The Dark Side*) employs his razor-sharp documentary skills to re-examine the evidence from an unsolved crime and untangle truth and lies to expose a wide-ranging cover-up.

On June 18, 1994, locals were crammed into a pub in the small village of Loughinisland in County Down, watching the Republic Of Ireland football team play Italy in the Fifa World Cup.

Gun men burst into the pub, shooting six men dead and wounding five others in a hail of bullets. Subsequent police investigations failed to result in anyone being charged.

No Stone Unturned interviews case investigators, families of the victims and journalists to understand the chain of events and the impact on the community. Gibson reopens the original files and pores over the evidence in minute detail, challenging the official versions of events to edge closer to unmasking the perpetrators.

THE MAN WITH THE IRON HEART (15)

French director Cedric Jimenez and co-writers Audrey Diwan and David Farr traverse similar historical ground to Sean Ellis' acclaimed 2016 film *Anthropoid*, dramatising the 1942 plot to assassinate high-ranking Nazi official Reinhard Heydrich, who was one of the architects of the Final Solution.

The Man With The Iron Heart is adapted from Laurent Binet's novel *HHhH* and divides the narrative between the target and his killers. In the first half, Heydrich (Jason Clarke) is court martialed for his disreputable behaviour and dismissed from the German Navy.

He subsequently becomes romantically involved with Lina von Osten (Rosamund Pike) and she encourages him to become an active member of the Nazi Party. Reinhard clambors up the ranks and spearheads the Sicherheitsdienst (SD) intelligence agency at the behest of Heinrich Himmler (Stephen Graham).

He eventually moves to Prague where members of the Czechoslovak resistance conceive a plan to execute Heydrich. Jan Kubis (Jack O'Connell) and Jozek Gabcik (Jack Reynor) parachute into their homeland to orchestrate the daring plan, painfully aware that it is a suicide mission with a slim chance of success.



The bear necessities

PADDINGTON 2 (PG)

★★★★★

The bare necessities of a fulfilling life will come to you if you follow the paw prints of Michael Bond's beloved

Peruvian bear.

So sayeth director Paul King's unabashedly sweet, wholesome and crowd-pleasing sequel that replicates the irresistible charm of the 2014 film, which introduced the duffel-coat clad hero to the big screen.

Paddington 2 is a lip-smacking, tear-jerking delight for audiences of all ages, which promotes compassion and

understanding as the foundations of a truly great Britain.

It's a resolutely old-fashioned message of hope and community spirit, and a nimble script co-written by Simon Farnaby never deviates from trumpeting the central character's unerring optimism in an era of paranoia and selfish desires.

The pantomime villain this time is a scheming theatrical ham, played to the comic hilt by Hugh Grant, who dons a wimple and knight's armour to steal hidden treasure that should have been claimed by an ancestor.

The actor mercilessly pokes fun at himself – note the floppy-haired portrait from glory days in *Four*

Weddings And A Funeral on the antagonist's mantelpiece.

Paddington (voiced by Ben Whishaw) is happily installed in the attic of 32 Windsor Gardens, family home of fuddy-duddy insurance assessor Henry Brown (Hugh Bonneville), his free-spirited wife Mary (Sally Hawkins) and their children, Judy (Madeleine Harris) and Jonathan (Samuel Joslin).

During a visit to antiques dealer Mr Gruber (Jim Broadbent), *Paddington* unearths an old "popping book" of London, which would make the perfect present for Aunt Lucy (Imelda Staunton).

Alas, the rare one-of-a-kind tome is expensive.

Unperturbed, *Paddington* cleans windows for neighbours and wields a broom in a barber shop to meet the price tag.

Hilariously vain, fading actor Phoenix Buchanan (Grant) steals the rare edition and *Paddington* is wrongly sentenced to 10 years for "grand theft and grievous barberly harm."

Behind bars, *Paddington* meets jailbird brute Knuckles McGinty (Brendan Gleeson), who "don't do nothing for no-

one for nothing".

The bear's innate goodness weakens Knuckles' resolve and they collaborate in the prison canteen to serve homemade confections to inmates.

Meanwhile, the Browns vow to clear *Paddington*'s name and Mary identifies Phoenix as a prime suspect.

"Actors are some of the most evil, devious people on the planet," agrees housekeeper Mrs Bird (Julie Walters). "They lie for a living!"

Paddington 2 is a delightfully entertaining romp, distinguished by glorious set pieces including a wonderful fantasy sequence inside the pages of the antique pop-up book.

Colourful production design is almost as vivid as the performances including a roguish turn from Gleeson and physical pratfalls aplenty courtesy of Bonneville.

Once again, Whishaw's warm, soothing vocal performance tugs our heartstrings, adhering to the sage words of Aunt Lucy: "If you're kind and polite, everything will come right."

King's fleet-footed sequel comes right with a marmalade-smear flourish.



(Above) Hugh Bonneville as Henry Brown, Samuel Joslin as Jonathan Brown, Sally Hawkins as Mary Brown, Julie Walters as Mrs Bird and Madeleine Harris as Judy Brown

SOUND OUT

I had known Stuart all my life... since his death, I've thought about him every day

Stereophonics' Kelly Jones talks to **MARION McMULLEN** about meeting his heroes, family life and how he's still dealing with the loss of his former bandmate



Kelly Jones today, and with the late Stuart Cable in the band's early days (inset)

YOU know you must be doing something right when Bob Dylan namechecks you and Bruce Springsteen pops backstage to say hello.

Twenty years after their debut album, the Stereophonics have just released their tenth album, *Scream Above The Sounds*, and will be heading out on a major arena tour next spring.

When asked what he was listening to recently, music legend and Nobel Prize winner Bob Dylan replied simply "Stereophonics".

Singer and songwriter Kelly Jones says such an endorsement means a lot to the Welsh band. "It's very flattering to hear," he says, "people always surprise me. Seeing Pete Townshend standing across from you or Roger Daltrey, well, they are still The Who to me. It's not something I take for granted."

"We were supporting Bruce Springsteen last year and he came to say hello to us in our dressing room," Kelly laughs. "It's just not normal? It's still a pinch-me moment. We come from a small town in Wales and when you meet these people and they are thanking us and asking you out for a beer, well, it's just not f*****g normal."

"I think maybe because we are one of the last bands to have come through the traditional way of playing bars and clubs, travelling in the back of a van and staying in

sh***y hotels. There was no internet, we played live, and maybe that's what bands like Led Zeppelin and The Who see in us."

"When we started out playing the bars and clubs we needed three hours of material and these musicians affected our songwriting. Tom Petty, Dylan, the Rolling Stones, Green Day... we played all these songs and we learned how to keep an audience entertained. I don't know how new bands develop these days."

The 43-year-old laughingly says living in a female-dominated household with his wife Jakki and three daughters – Lolita Bootsy and Misty, from a previous relationship, and new baby Riley – certainly helps to keep him grounded.

"It's very, very cool," he smiles. "They are good girls. They've never really been brought up with nannies or au pairs. I'm pleased we did it that way. We can talk and," he adds with a grin, "I can walk about in my pants without some stranger being in the house."

"My middle daughter is 10 and comedy mad, we took her to see Michael McIntyre Live recently. She was very, very gushing, but that was a rare occasion when my professional and personal world met up."

"All the girls love music and are very grounded kids. I am respectful of them and they are respectful back. They know what I do and I have taken them to gigs now and

again so they can see where I am ... and what pays for it all."

The Welsh band boasts six number one albums, 11 top 10 singles and they have toured with the Rolling Stones, The Who, U2 and David Bowie on his last US dates.

They have been described as one of Britain's best live bands and, 20 years after *Words Gets Around* first broke through, are still attracting both new audiences and delighting long-term fans.

Founder members Kelly and bassist Richard Jones are now joined by guitarist Adam Zindani and drummer Jamie Morrison and songs on the latest album include the haunting *All In One Night* and the plaintive piano ballad *Before Anyone Knew Our Name*, in which Kelly reflects on the loss of the band's original drummer Stuart Cable, who died at the age of 40.

The song's lyrics say it all "I miss you, man. We had the fire, had

desire, but what went wrong then?"

Kelly says he was unsure whether to include the track on the new album or not. "I felt it was a bit too vulnerable, a bit too personal, but everyone said the song should be heard. I had known Stuart all my life. We lived in the same street growing up, went to the same school and started playing in a group when I was 12 and he was 15. We were living in the same place and sharing the same big dreams. "Stuart left the band in 2003, by 2004 we were mates again going out for a beer... and then he died in 2010."

He says sadly: "I've thought about him every day since then. It's been seven years and then this song came along. I'm not sure if it's part of the grieving process. I started to write a bit of stuff in a notebook and it all came pouring out."

"The band, road crew, booking agents – everyone who knew Stuart – heard the song first."

"I couldn't be there when they listened to it. They were all a bit emotional, but I think it says everything I wanted to say."

■ Go to stereophonics.com for new album and tour details.



Bruce Springsteen



THE LATEST ALBUM
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SAM SMITH
- THE THRILL OF IT ALL

★★★★★

SAM Smith is proof that you can have the fame, the talent, the success and still be knocked down by the gut-wrenching sadness of heartbreak. Luckily, he is skilled enough to turn his misery into music, and here, Smith lays himself bare, raw from a break-up.

While there is a fair amount of lyrical woe, Smith shows that all is not lost in love and life with upbeat tracks *Baby You Make Me Crazy* and *One Last Song*.

Highlights are *No Peace* – in which he shows how flawlessly his voice works with a female vocal, unsigned artist Yebba – and *Him*, a clever choral anthem about his sexuality (his version of a hymn) that will no doubt inspire the global LGBTQI+ community.

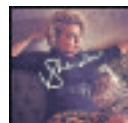


SHERIDAN SMITH
- SHERIDAN

★★★★★

SHE'S got an impressive television CV and has received rave reviews for her theatre roles too. Now Sheridan Smith's latest venture – her rendition of a number of classic songs on her debut album – adds another impressive notch to her many talents.

The album starts off with a haunting version of the Gnarls Barkley hit *Crazy* which is filled with smoky, jazzy undertones. She definitely shows off her versatility as a singer by tackling the much-loved Dionne Warwick/Cilla Black hit *Anyone Who Had A Heart*. Probably one of the most impressive songs is her version of Jennifer Hudson's *And I Am Telling You*. It's a huge ballad that she makes her own quite easily and gently.

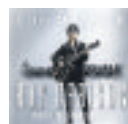


ROY ORBISON AND THE ROYAL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA
- A LOVE SO BEAUTIFUL

★★★★★

THE Royal Philharmonic Orchestra follows its successful "collaborations" with Elvis by reviving another distinctive and much-missed voice from the past: The Big O, adding lush orchestration to 17 of his hits.

Orbison's mournful love songs are a perfect fit for a full orchestra – something which, naturally, was also recognised at the time. As a result, a lot of the tracks (particularly early hits such as *In Dreams* and *I'm Hurtin'*) sound more or less the same. However, when the arrangements do deviate from the originals the results are not always successful. Ultimately however, this is at best a curio.



MUSIC

Kris's call to Arms



*Being in The Damned was an easy gig for Kris Dollimore. But, as he told **Martin Neal**, the pressure is on when he plays small solo shows*

HE'S performed at the Royal Albert Hall, played in front of thousands with well-established chart bands and appeared on Top of the Pops.

But Kris Dollimore says he'll be more nervous playing in front of 40 or so people at The Station Arms in Southminster later this month.

Best known for playing guitar with Del Amitri, Dollimore also spent more than two years with punk legends The Damned following the departure of Captain Sensible's replacement Roman Jugg, and also had a spell with alternative rockers The Godfathers.

These days, though, he's at home on the blues circuit with nothing but an acoustic guitar for company.

"If I could play the Royal Albert Hall under my own name, I would," he admitted honestly, "but I enjoy what I'm doing."

"Del Amitri was the last big band I'd been in and when they broke up I went out on my own. I haven't got

the greatest voice but I can play guitar!"

With The Damned in a state of flux, Dollimore was brought in on guitar as a result of his friendship with founder member and then drummer Rat Scabies.

"It was such an easy gig because The Damned were one of my favourite bands," he explained. "Their first album, I knew off by heart."

He played on one album, Not of This World, and toured extensively, having great fun along the way. Singer Dave Vanian was especially game for a laugh it would seem.

"Dave would try and trip you up on stage," he recounted. "On one occasion I was on stage we were walking round and round me and I couldn't work out what was going on."

"Then I realised he'd tied me up with the mic lead! There were lots of pranks and buffoonery."

"The Damned had a reputation

for being a bit hit or miss but we were very consistent at the time.

"Rat was running the show and he wanted the band to take the band out of jokey punk and be a proper rock band."

"I don't think Dave wanted that though. I don't think Rat and Dave got along that well and was a bit of friction and it never happened in the end."

After his time with The Damned ended, Del Amitri came calling.

Dollimore admits he was more than pleasantly surprised to get a call from Justin Currie to audition for Del Amitri following Jon McLoughlin's departure and revealed he was determined to make the most of the opportunity.

It had looked like he might be hired by Iggy Pop and Republica among others so when all of that came to nothing, the Del Amitri call was most welcome.

"I thought to myself 'this gig is mine - no one else is having this,'" he said.

Big gigs, chart hits and TV performances followed. Kris Dollimore was a pop star.

But these days it's all about blues and roots as he writes, records and performs his solo work.

"When the Del Amitri thing finished I didn't know what to do," he admitted. "I saw (blues artist) Ben Andrews play and I thought 'I'd like to do that' but I didn't have the ability so I studied hard and it took a lot of effort to keep at it but I did, and now I'm doing what I'm doing now."

"I feel comfortable doing what I'm doing. It's honest - you can't be fake. If it goes wrong - or right - it's down to you."

"So the pressure is more playing to 30 or 40 people than it was when I was playing in big venues with a band but I love it."

■ Kris Dollimore Plays The Station Arms, Southminster, on Saturday, November 18.

COMING UP



Dr Feelgood, The Oysterfleet, Canvey Island, Saturday November 11

R and B legends Dr Feelgood return to the band's spiritual home for their Down at the Doctors Weekend. The hotel stands on the site of the old Oysterfleet Country Club.



Dreadzone, Chinnerys, Southend, February 10

Post-rave festival favourites Dreadzone are heading back to Southend in the New Year, it has been announced. MC Spee and the gang - who also play Colchester Arts Centre on November 24 - released eighth studio album Dread Times this year, an album which digs into their dub and reggae roots while keeping the beats fresh and the textures electronic.

DOWN THE PUB



The Hare and Hoofe play "primeval drums, fuzz bass, lashings of guitar and synth noises from another planet" at the Railway, Southend

■ **The Bull, Colchester:** Saturday - Beautiful Dangerous

■ **Star & Garter, Moulsham Street, Chelmsford:** Friday - Hit Parade; Saturday - Electrum

■ **Cricketers, Southend:** Friday - Mr Spankey; Saturday - Billy Liar

■ **Horse & Groom, Braintree:** Saturday - Solar9

■ **Golden Fleece, Chelmsford:** Friday - Illicit; Saturday - Beggar

■ **Railway Hotel, Clifftown Road, Southend:** Friday - The Hare and Hoofe; (9pm) The Fallen Leaves

■ **Park Tavern, Southend:** Friday - Expose
■ **Boars Head, Braintree:** Saturday - Legend



OMD live - Cliffs Pavilion, Southend

SOMETIMES there are songs so spine-tinglingly powerful that they make the hairs on the back of your neck stand on end whenever they're played.

When a band nails that song to the point when you don't think the audience is ever going stop applauding and roaring its approval, you know you're in the company of greatness. And so it was when timeless synth kings OMD performed the hauntingly wonderful Maid of Orleans at the Cliffs Pavilion.

Not that this show was sort of

highlights. It can be frustrating if a band goes too heavy on their new stuff at the expense of a hefty back catalogue when they're on the road to promote a new album but OMD struck it just right.

They played the hits. Oh they played the hits all right. We might have thought synthpop was just an 80s fad but old faves such as Souvenir, Tesla Girls, So In Love, Enola Gay, the show-closing Electricity and all the rest still sound remarkably fresh. And tracks from the new album, Punishment of

Luxury, showed that OMD are far from a band relying on past glories.

Front man Andy McCluskey has lost none of his boundless enthusiasm either. He warned us that he was only operating on 60% because of a knee ligament injury, but his dancing was just as bonkers. How I'd love to see him and Tim Booth on the same stage!

OMD have a habit of disappearing for a while after they've recorded and toured - here's hoping they're not away for too long.

Martin Neal

HOTSEAT

To have this story in the mainstream was a big deal...

Morven Christie as Alison Hughes in *The A Word*

Series two of *The A Word* begins two years after the end of the first. Your character Alison's relationship with autistic son Joe (played by Max Vento) has turned a corner. Is it fair to say she's more celebratory of the fact he's 'different'?

YEAH. Alison, as a person, is just a very committed individual to whatever it is that she's committed to at that time. In series one there just seemed to be this rebellion in her that was like 'If I fight this hard enough, I will make it OK'.

Now that commitment has gone into acceptance and surrounding herself with a community that understands her and will help her, and help her support Joe.

She's finding the joy in him and taking his lead, if you like. That was really lovely for me to play, just as a contrast.

I think that's such a truthful journey to go on, from almost fighting against something to going 'No, look, this can be a wonderful path'. So, yeah, she's in quite a different place this year.

Viewers will see her make quite a powerful speech to the other school parents in episode one.

IT'S such an amazing speech. It encapsulated almost her world view and a manifesto for children who are different and she's got her struggles with stuff, but they're more like personal struggles within her relationship now.

I think she's found a purpose she didn't have before.

Peter Bowker's drama *The A Word* is back for a second series and the Hughes family, who are learning to accept Joe's autism diagnosis, are faced with a whole host of new challenges. Reprising the role of mum Alison, Scottish actress Morven Christie, 36, tells **GEMMA DUNN** of her - and her character's - emotional journey

How emotional is it to film some of the more poignant sequences?

IT TAKES over. (There's a) scene where we're doing role play and also a scene where we sit with Joe on the sofa and talk to him about his autism, and both of those scenes, for me personally, something happened that I wasn't in control of.

I think there is something massively impactful and, reading it, I remember when I first read episode one, having a really emotional response to it and emailing Pete (Bowker, the writer) and saying 'It's golden'.

But there's something that when you actually hear those words come out... and I think because we all own these characters so deeply now that it just feels real and genuine. So they can be really overwhelming to shoot, but cathartic too.

You and Lee Ingleby, who plays Joe's dad Paul, seem to have a great bond when you're shooting such scenes.

THEY come quite easily with me and Lee. We have a sort of natural rhythm; it's weird because you read them on the page and you think 'Oh, this is going to be deep, this is going to be a tough one' and then you actually sit down and say it and actually it's really simple.

The writing is always really clear and just by Max saying words and Max's reaction to things, you can't fail to be moved.

Then it just becomes about controlling your own natural responses to what he's doing.

Have you taken more of an interest in autism since working on the show?

I THINK you can't help doing that because even if I wasn't taking an interest in it on a personal level, the show opens up a dialogue that people want to have with us whether we're chasing it or not.

For me, personally, I didn't research anything particular for series one because Alison is like 'What?' so it wasn't helpful for me.

Whereas this year I emailed Pete and was like 'OK, what do I read?'

He gave me a list of books, so I'm a lot more knowledgeable about it now. But I feel like something really important happened when the (first) series went out, which was



Other role: Morven will be familiar to Grantchester fans - she plays Amanda opposite James Norton's Sidney in the ITV drama

that something that was 'othered' became mainstream. There was a real acknowledgement from the autism community and a gratitude.

It's one child's story, but having that in the mainstream was a big deal.

What kind of reaction did you receive?

I HAVE a friend whose little boy is on the (autism) spectrum, and when we were getting ready to do series one - he was quite small, he'd just turned four - I had quite a lot of conversations with her.

She sent me a message a while ago - she lives in Glasgow - and her husband and her little boy had been in London and they'd been on the Tube. He wears headphones or ear defenders sometimes, and she said 'People just smile at us now'.

The impact of that for her, that was transformative.

Of course there's a breadth of

response and some people felt negatively about it.

I certainly received some that were like 'Mums aren't like that'.

Of its appeal, do you think the audience want to see a drama that is funny and moving, as opposed to crime-focused?

EXACTLY. It has so much warmth and people really want that.

I feel like it came at a time where there wasn't that much love in drama and (*The A Word*) is full of love.

I think there is a thing where your personal perspective magnifies things - you'll see things, like I know that I see things in dramas that are bigger to me because of my personal perspective - but everyone's different and everyone has seen different things.

■ *The A Word* returns to BBC1 on Tuesday at 9pm.



The cast of *The A Word*, including Max Vento as Joe, centre, flanked by Lee Ingleby as dad Paul and Morven Christie as mum Alison

BOOKSHELF

I was quite happy to not be married again - but I'm glad I did

Comedian Dawn French talks to **HANNAH STEPHENSON** about turning 60, marriage second time around and revisiting French and Saunders

SHE'S the star of *The Vicar of Dibley*, one half of comedy duo French and Saunders, an acclaimed author and chocolate-loving national treasure.

Much of Dawn French's work has been drawn from her own life - her 2008 autobiography *Dear Fatty* and recent solo show *Thirty Million Minutes*, chart both her triumphs and her tragedies. Her latest book *Me. You. A Diary*, reveals what she has learned in her 60 years and features blank pages for the reader to include his or her own entries.

It's a mellow, gentle read with a lot of words of wisdom, as Dawn looks back on how she has acted and reacted to different events in her life, how her priorities have changed and how, as her mother used to say, 'We don't do perfect'.

It's clear that family means everything to Dawn, who has an adopted daughter Billie with her ex-husband Sir Lenny Henry, and has gained two stepchildren through her second marriage to Mark Bignall. They live in Cornwall.

She guards her family's privacy like a tigress.

"I'm a bit of a contradiction in terms," she admits. "I've had my loss, I've had my joys, and all kinds of ups and downs, like everyone - but I've found that by telling my story honestly, that connects me to the readers, and the audience to my show. It's who I am. That doesn't mean to say I'm not private - there's plenty not in the book."

She doesn't mention Mark by name in the diary and steers clear of much detail on family members.

"None of these people have asked to be part of this," she explains. "This is my life and my choices, so I have to be careful about that. My own daughter

doesn't want to be in it [the limelight] because she's very shy."

Dawn had known Mark for years and interviewed him for research purposes while writing her second novel, *Oh Dear Silvia*.

In the new book, the meeting seems like an epiphany for her - the sun burst out from behind a cloud, the light poured in through the window, bounced off the white wall and reflected on to his face 'lighting him up as if Caravaggio and Fellini had collaborated'.

"I knew in that instant we would marry," she writes.

Is marriage different second time around?

"Yes, because the person is different and so the mixture is different. There's chemistry that's entirely different and all the more interesting for that. I'm glad I've had both of these marriages for lots of reasons. They both bring very different things. It's very joyful. I didn't

imagine I'd ever be married again. I was quite happy to not be married again, but I'm very glad I did."

Initially, the respective children kept a watchful eye on their relationship, but before long, they were keen for them to tie the knot.

"They were kind of petitioning for it and were rather embarrassing, mentioning it when we hadn't mentioned it yet. They wanted it to happen. It was great to get their approval."

But she did want a proper proposal, she admits.

"You do need that person to confirm it, I guess. He very firmly did ask Billie as well, calling her to

say, 'I've asked your mum and she says 'Yes', as long as you think it's OK'. She was the person whose permission had to be given."

The marriage, of course, meant she became a stepmother.

"The 'step' part, as far as I'm concerned, is 'Don't step on anyone's toes'," she says, chuckling. "You have to be massively careful that you don't get in the way of

anything that already exists. I feel massive love for these two kids.

"They are very easy-to-love people that have come into my life, but they were 'fully cooked' people by the time I met them. An awful lot of goodness about them comes from their life before I was ever there. I have lots to

be grateful for. I have my relationship with them and we are very close, but respectful of their mum and their stepdad."

She agrees that she has probably approached marriage differently this time.

"There isn't acres of time ahead of us. When you get married when you're young, you don't even think about the future, you just trundle on. I'm very aware that when you get married in your 50s, you must savour every minute, have a bit of a shorthand and cut through the c**p a bit quicker."

"You also know yourself very well and there are things that I'm

absolutely prepared to compromise on and there are other things that I'm absolutely not prepared to compromise on."

She remains on good terms with her ex-husband, she says.

"Well, we've got a daughter together. We are friends. We keep a distance because we've got new lives and everybody needs a chance to breathe in their new life, but we talk all the time, always about Billie, at least once a week, if not twice. We are very civilised and kind to each other."

Dawn is currently filming the second series of *Delicious for Sky 1* and working on a French and Saunders 30th anniversary Christmas special.

"It's basically a clip show that the BBC wanted to do, but there have been enough times when other people have chosen the clips, and they always go for the same ones. Jennifer and I have a fondness for the ones they don't go for necessarily, plus we've got other bits of film that hasn't been seen before, and we're writing 15 minutes of new material."

Turning 60, she wants to be able to take a little time to soak in her joys and her achievements.

"I don't want to be 60 and not have stopped a bit. I've taught myself to slow down. I'm still too busy and I have to remember sometimes to stop in the moment."

"That's when the creative thoughts happen and when I'm at my most open to new thinking."



Dawn French says she has approached marriage differently second time around. Her new book *Me. You. A Diary* by Dawn French, below, is published by Michael Joseph, £20



LATEST TITLES

MOTHER LAND by Paul Theroux, Hamish Hamilton, £20 (eBook £9.99)

★★★★★

THIS book is essentially a 500-page rant that could easily be summarised in a single sentence: "I came from a large, nasty, bitchy family - and my mother was the worst of us."

Jay Justus, the narrator, is a fading writer living out his last good years in the shadow of his ageing and yet indestructible mother, and in close and toxic proximity to his six siblings.

Even in advanced middle age, the seven spend much of their time finding new ways to spite, denigrate and upstage each other. 'Mother' - as she is always called - is the cynical charmer of this viper's nest, forever playing favourites, dividing and conquering, and dispensing favours and punishments on a callous whim.

Theroux loves to sail very close to the wind in applying narrative licence to autobiographical detail, and in this book you feel he has really gone for it. This teasing quality adds a whole extra dimension of deliciousness to the stew. Hilarious, infuriating, poignant and endlessly enthralling.



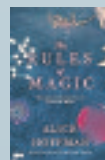
THE RULES OF MAGIC by Alice Hoffman, Simon and Schuster, £16.99 (eBook £9.99)

ALICE Hoffman's novel *Practical Magic* was released in 1995, and was a huge success, leading to a film starring Sandra Bullock and Nicole Kidman.

The Owens sisters are magical stock, and their family's history goes back 200 years encompassing feuds, witchcraft and rejection.

Here, Hoffman explores Aunt Frances and Aunt Bridget's (known here as Jet) awakening to the craft in the 1960s. Franny and Jet, along with their brother Vincent, stay with their Aunt Isabelle. Each of their gifts grow, but can they use them to break the family curse?

The Rules Of Magic is a gentle tale, perfect as the nights draw in.



BOOKS CHART

1. *La Belle Sauvage. The Book of Dust (Vol 1): Philip Pullman*
2. *Origin: Dan Brown*
3. *5 Ingredients - Quick & Easy Food: Jamie Oliver*
4. *The Crow Girl: Erik Axel Sund*
5. *What Does This Button Do?: Bruce Dickinson*
6. *Tom Gates. Epic Adventure (kind of): Liz Pichon*
7. *Guinness World Records 2018*
8. *Amelia Fang and the Barbaric Ball: Laura Ellen Anderson*
9. *Homegoing: Yaa Gyasi*
10. *Need You Dead: Peter James*



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FAMILY HEALTH

How do we raise body positive kids in a body-shaming world? **LAUREN TAYLOR** get some tips on how to talk to our daughters

GIVEN that we are bombarded with unrealistic beauty standards and constant criticism of women's bodies in the media, body confidence is understandably a difficult thing for many of us to master. However, if we feel negatively about our bodies as adults, how can we expect young girls to grow up with a healthy attitude to theirs?

A recent survey conducted by The Be Real Campaign, found that two in three secondary aged school children worry about parts of their appearance.

In order to break the cycle of negative body image and to help children – particularly girls who have additional pressure placed on their appearance – feel comfortable and happy about the way they look, whatever their size and shape, we need to change the dialogue.

1 "SHE SHOULDN'T BE WEARING THAT"

THE way we speak about other adults' bodies is important to consider. Liam Preston, head of the Be Real Campaign for body confidence, says it's all about establishing what's "normal" in your household.

"When a lot of people are watching TV, they can be quite critical of what they see on screen," he says. "She shouldn't be wearing that outfit' or, 'They look too big' or, 'They look too skinny'. It's easy for people to say stuff they wouldn't say in person about people they're watching on TV, often in front of their own children."

Consultant clinical psychologist, and author of *The Supermum Myth*, Dr Rachel Andrew adds: "In clinical sessions, children will say, 'Other girls think I'm fat', and will evidence what they have heard people say about others to back this up, even if they have never heard anything directly said about themselves."

2 "I LOOK AWFUL/ I NEED TO LOSE WEIGHT"

HOW you feel and talk about your own body will have a direct impact on how your daughter sees hers.

"Parents are a huge influence on the way that children see themselves, others and the world," says Dr Andrew. "If a mother consistently talks negatively about her own body in front of her child, she is telling her child that the way bodies look



Talk to your child about what it means to be positive about your body

is important, [that they] should look a certain way and if they don't, this leads to unhappiness. A child often cannot understand the wider context, so will take on these messages in a simple form like, 'Looking a certain way will make me happy'. This can set up a life-long association that the way a person looks equates to their happiness."

Of course, the outside world is full of criticism and stereotypes about women's bodies, and Dr Andrew says it's worth "being aware of their impact" on your child.

"You are not going to be able to shield them from this completely, but you can increase resilience by modelling the messages you want them to take, through your own attitude and behaviour."

3 "THIS IS A 'BAD' FOOD"

DEVELOPING a healthy relationship with food is a key component of achieving a healthy attitude to body image.

"If you say, 'This is a good food or a bad food', young people will pick up on that straightaway, and that isn't good for them as they try and understand what their

own bodies need," Liam says.

"As an adult worried about your [own] weight, it's easy to say, 'I probably shouldn't have that', but if you label it as 'bad food' that's something young people will think too, regardless of the context within which you're saying it."

4 "YOU LOOK BIGGER/SLIMMER"

POINTING out how your daughter's appearance has changed is risky, even if you mean it as a compliment.

It might imply that something was wrong with her appearance before, and she may put pressure on herself to continue looking that way.

Liam says: "In life we often say, 'Oh you look really good, you've lost a lot of weight' or, 'You look thinner'. But that reinforces this message [to children] that you have to look a certain way."

What if you're worried about the change in your daughter's weight for health reasons, though?

While it's important for parents to notice changes to their children's health, this needs to be tackled with caution, and in a positive way – encouraging them to join a sports team or help you cook healthy meals, for example.

Dr Andrew says: "Putting on or losing significant weight can be a sign there may be an emotional or physical health problem, so it's natural parents act on this when necessary."

"Rather than raise an issue with weight, talk about their life more generally – how are things with school, friends, sleeping, and how are they feeling at the moment? The answers are more likely to give you clues about if there's an issue."

5 COMPLIMENTS THAT ARE ONLY ABOUT HER IMAGE

"I DON'T think there's an issue telling your child they look nice in what they're wearing, or that they look pretty, but if that's the only compliment you're giving your child and you're not addressing the other reasons why they're an amazing person, young people will go through life thinking, 'The only thing people care about is whether I look nice, or look pretty or whether this dress is good,'" explains Liam.

AND HERE ARE SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WE SHOULD BE SAYING TO YOUNGSTERS...

DR ANDREW says: "Move the conversation to skills, talents and resources that you and your child share. Praise your child specifically for those: 'You are so patient, caring, kind', and comment on others with these attributes too. You might enlist the support of their favourite celebrity or YouTuber if they are also sending out a similar message."

Liam adds: "The best way to shield your children from negative body image messages in the outside world is to have those conversations before they hear them."

"Talk about what it is to be positive about your body, and how the words you could say in a classroom could have a negative impact on someone's life, and the best way to do that is talk to your children at an early age."

"Talk to them about the language they might hear in classrooms – are they hearing things? How does that make them feel? And should they be challenging people around them who do say those things?"

ASK THE EXPERT



Q AS A busy working parent, how can I find time to play with my children?

A TANITH CAREY, author of *Mum Hacks: Time-saving Tips To Calm The Chaos Of Family Life*, says: "It's true that parents are busier than ever. The number of dual-income households today has hit a record high. However, it is essential to find time to play with your children."

"When you're both tired and short of time after work or at weekends, it can be tempting to be concerned with finishing off other chores, before sitting down with your child to play."

"But while it's true you'll never have more hours in the day, you can prioritise the time you do have."

"Remember the importance your children place on spending time with you – new research from children's activity website Kindernauts.co.uk recently revealed that kids pick their mum and dad as their preferred playmate, over superheroes and celebrities."

"In fact, by carving out a bit of one-on-one time each day for a play activity (as little as 10 or 15 minutes), you will be making your life easier in the long-run."

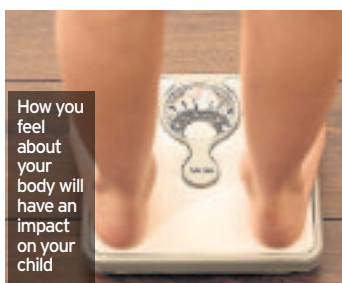
"That's because if you let your child decide on the activity, you will find they'll be more co-operative in other areas of life, like homework and socialising with others."

"They will feel more secure in the knowledge there's a time each day when they have your full attention – and won't need to demand it in other ways, by acting up or throwing tantrums."

"Give it a try – I promise you will see quick results."



Tanith Carey

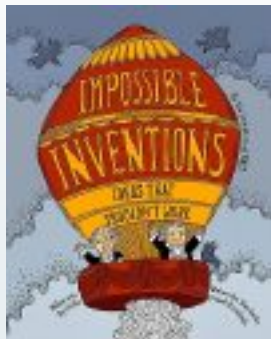


How you feel about your body will have an impact on your child



FAMILY MATTERS

CHILDREN'S BOOK OF THE WEEK



IMPOSSIBLE INVENTIONS: IDEAS THAT SHOULDN'T WORK by Malgorzata Mycielska, Aleksandra and Daniel Mizielinski Gecko Press, hardback £14.99

★★★★★
FROM the minds that brought us Maps - that huge, illustrated book of the world, suitable for inquisitive children and interested adults - comes this collection of bizarre ideas and patented inventions that often seem silly, but contain kernels of brilliance and foresight.

Discover all about Reuben Jasper Spalding's 1889 bird man suit, Karolina Sobocka's personal cloud maker and Hugo Gernsback's concentration helmet.

Instead of being A3-sized like Maps, Impossible Inventions is half-sized and the layout suffers as a result. The comic-strip style invention explanations don't have quite enough room to breathe (and they've overdone it on the speech bubble front), while the text is crammed in and not always easy to follow.

However, the illustrations are witty and well crafted.

Smart and fascinating, although not fantastically well-executed.

PRODUCTS OF THE WEEK

FORGET video games and hi-tech gizmos, it seems stores are also seeing a demand for more simple 'old-fashioned' toys.

As we lead into the Christmas period George Home at Asda reports that online searches for wooden toys are up 250% year on year.

Happily George at Asda has a fabulous range of quality wooden toys at purse-friendly prices including own brand kitchens, dolls' houses, tea sets, pirate ships down-to-basic building blocks - plus branded wooden toys and play centres for the garden.



George Home deluxe kitchen £40



George Home washing machine £20, reduced from £25



1 PEPPA PIG ADVENT CALENDAR £25, Asda

Featuring Peppa, George, Mummy and Daddy Pig and lots of Peppa's pals, little ones will love this Advent calendar. It is pricier than your usual chocolate variety, but you get a new toy every day and as well as mini figures there are festive items like sledges and Christmas trees.



2 UP TO SNOW GOOD CHOCOLATE ADVENT CALENDAR, £8, Hotel Chocolat (hotelchocolat.com)

Depicting a cute snow scene, Hotel Chocolat's brand new kids' calendar is set to be a popular addition to its festive collection, containing 24 40% milk chocolate characters.



10 of the best kids' Advent calendars

With December a matter of weeks away, **CLAIRE SPREADBURY** rounds up some of our favourite ways to count down to Christmas

3 PLAYMOBIL CHRISTMAS ON THE FARM ADVENT CALENDAR SET, £20, John Lewis (johnlewis.com)

Suitable for kids aged four and upwards, Playmobil offers tots a chance to build a festive farmyard scene every day of Advent. With 72 pieces in total, including a tractor, animals and people - this will last way beyond Christmas.



4 THOMAS & FRIENDS MINIS 2017 ADVENT CALENDAR, £35, direct.asda.com

Christmas on the Island of Sodor is the most festive time of all. Packed with 24 Thomas minis, including six exclusive Christmas themed toys, this is selling out as fast as it hits stores. Appropriate for aged three plus.

5 THE ADVENT CALENDAR, £25, Smiggle (smiggle.co.uk)

If your child is aged seven or over, look no further than the Smiggle Advent Calendar. Bursting with 25 stationery surprises, it's guaranteed to make those last few weeks at school so much more exciting.



*All prices correct at time of going to print. Offers available while stocks last



6 MEGA BLOCKS DESPICABLE ME MINIONS ADVENT CALENDAR, currently reduced from £19.18 to £11.72, Amazon
Go bananas with 24 awesome elements that you can build and add to your Minions collection. Behind each door is a holiday-themed surprise including three never-seen-before Minions.

RICHARD IRVINE

DOUBLE
TROUBLE
FOR A
FIRST-TIME
DAD OF TWINS



Of all the bedtime battles, the sound of

ONCE it was a basic human right, a steadying influence on my life, something I'd relied upon to always be there, very much like Bruce Forsyth. But now both Bruce and sleep have been cruelly taken from me by the force of nature.

No longer do I look forward to the arrival of bedtime but feel a sense of creeping dread as another night of chaos edges ever nearer.

There'll be tears, tantrums and screaming from all of us. The first issue appeared very soon after Emma and Thomas settled into their little



Richard and Victoria really could do with some sleep

Moses baskets in our room.

I hadn't realised how generally noisy babies are, often grumbling, snuffling or hiccupping their way through the night. They also seem to communicate with each other

by means of a very low pitched rasping sound.

However, this constant soundtrack of bodily noises fades into gentle irritation compared to when they stop making noises.

It's happened a few times now yet waking up to silence still strikes fear into my soul and within seconds, I'm out of bed checking for a heartbeat.

I'm not a suspicious person, but I don't know whether the boy (Thomas) does it on purpose just to check my emergency response time. I'm sure I've heard him chuckle



7 WOODEN ADVENT CALENDARS, £8.99 each, Aldi
Aldi has released a set of three beautiful wooden advent calendars for Christmas to the delight of many a savvy seasonal shopper. The beautiful, traditional calendars are painted wood, with 24 individual drawers which you can fill with your own Advent treats. While you still need to buy the treats themselves, the lasting calendar itself is one of the best on the high street, so you'll need to be quick.

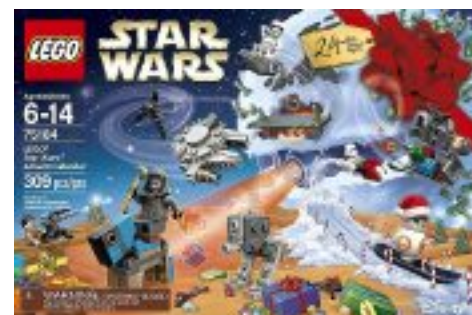


THREE OF THE BEST... WITH STAR QUALITY

HANGING STAR
Add some star appeal to a room without breaking the bank. **Tiger Store, £3**

TEA LIGHT
Who doesn't love some tea lights? This pretty neon star will illuminate a room in style. **£1.50, Wilko**

STAR DINNERWARE
Get side plates, dinner plates or pasta bowls by the set to make meal times sparkle. **£10 for four, Next**



8 LEGO STAR WARS ADVENT CALENDAR, £25.39, Jadam Toys & Models at eBay (ebay.co.uk)
Containing a whopping 309 pieces and suitable for kids aged six to 14, this is a must for any Star Wars and Lego fans. It even contains a mini Millennium Falcon.



10 MOO FREE ADVENT CALENDAR, £2.99, Aldi (in store only)
Organic, dairy-free and award-winning, there's a lot to love about Moo Free chocolate. This Advent calendar is perfect for children with a dairy allergy or intolerance, as well as vegans.



9 THE ROCKING HORSE ADVENT CALENDAR, £22.50, Prestat (prestat.co.uk)
Said to be the chocolate choice of royalty, Prestat's Rocking Horse edition contains award-winning recipes and the box comes with a Christmas tale.

KIDS' PUZZLES!

SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

Can you spot the six differences between the pictures below?



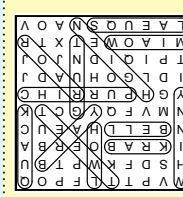
Can you find all these animal sounds in the grid?

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WORDSEARCH

BARK	NEIGH
BELL	QUACK
BRAY	ROAR
CHIRrup	SQUEAL
GRUNT	TWEET
HOWL	WHINNY
MIAOW	

Solutions



silence is hardest to overcome

gently after two of these occasions. Obviously, this is just the tip of the iceberg, in terms of things that annoy me after only sleeping three hours a night for the past month but those are the main problems emerging.

Please forgive me for my lack of fatherly compassion, but last night Thomas was fed four times and went to the toilet on each occasion - once he went to the toilet on my new luxury cotton M&S dressing gown before he was sick in my face.

Emma was only three feeds, three changed nappies but spoiled all that by continuously mumbling in an aggressive manner when I wasn't

rocking her basket. In between all of this were the numerous times when they woke up, cried briefly in agony but long enough to wake me up then fell straight to sleep again.

The positive side is their sense of camaraderie. They work like a wrestling tag team, so if Emma is kicking off, Thomas is beautifully silent, storing energy for his time in the ring. This means there's rarely a moment when somebody isn't demanding something.

I realise vengeance is not an admirable parental quality but I'm looking forward to those teenage years when they want a lie in and I need to do the hoovering.

BEAUTY COUNTER

RED lipstick is possibly the most iconic make-up product of all, with pink not far behind it. So if we told you these classic hues are on-trend this season, you'd be well within your rights to say, "So? What else is new?"

But, in actual fact, these enduring shades were reinterpreted on the AW17 catwalks in ways that made us sit up and take notice.

"Applying red to the face is one of the most ancient of beauty gestures, but right now it feels really new," says MAC backstage make-up artist Lyne Desnoyers.

"The way we're using it this season reflects a need of make-up artists to break apart the classics... or reinterpret them with colour."

The results are oh-so pretty, it must be said - but you will need a few tips to tone down the more out-there catwalk designs.

Here are four fresh ways to wear lipstick this season, and the products you'll need.

1 CHALAYAN'S CHERRY-LINED LIPS

AT CHALAYAN, the make-up muse was a "weird, club kid Geisha," Thomas de Kluyver explained backstage. "Take the classics and make it more 2017."

That meant lips that were patted with a fuchsia cream

colour, working from the centre outwards, then lined with a cherry red liner that's smudged slightly, creating an ombre effect.

■ **Get the look:** Burt's Bees lipstick in fuchsia flood, £9.99, burtsbees.co.uk; Nars precision lip liner in Juan-les-Pins, £18, narscosmetics.co.uk

2 TOPSHOP'S RUBY POUT

LOOKING for an alternative to the matte red lip but don't want to go full-on gloss? At Topshop, the ruby shade was midway between the two.

Foregoing liner in favour of an 'I-whacked-this-on-in-the-taxi' vibe, the juicy tone gives you a full, healthy-looking pout with minimal shine.

■ **Get the look:** Hourglass ultra slim refillable lipstick in I Desire, £28, John Lewis.

3 EUDON CHOI'S POWDERED PERFECTION

INSPIRED by the clothes in the collection, at Eudon Choi, a bright coral red was mixed and applied in varying intensities so that

"individuality is respected and embraced," according to make-up maestro Adam de Cruz.

Whether you want to try a delicate

New lipplie looks

RED AND PINK HAVE BEEN MAKE-UP MAINSTAYS FOR DECADES, BUT THE AW17 SHOWS GAVE US NEW WAYS TO WEAR THESE CLASSIC COLOURS, AS **KATIE WRIGHT** DISCOVERS

tangerine wash or a dense umber, the key to the perfect shine-free pout is to press a touch of coral blusher on top.

In fact, whatever colour your lipplie this season, adding a co-ordinating blusher on top will bring it bang up to date.

■ **Get the look:** Collection Velvet Kiss lip cream in Mango, £2.99, Superdrug; Estee Lauder pure colour envy sculpt blusher in Peach Passion, £30, John Lewis

4 GIAMBATTISTA VALLI'S GLOSSY GIRLS

THE most extreme expression of the glossy lips trend came at Preen, where the models were meant to look like they'd gone and snogged all their lipplie off before they hit the catwalk.

But at Giambattista Valli, the look was way more wearable.

Individual effort: A model on the catwalk during the Eudon Choi AW17 London Fashion Week show where a bright coral red was mixed and applied in varying intensities



■ **ABOUT** to restock your favourite Estée Lauder fragrance?

Well, pick up a 50ml bottle at Debenhams or debenhams.com and you can purchase this Estee Lauder The Makeup Artist Collection - worth a whopping £295 and containing three full-size lipsticks, plus the Repair Serum and so much more, all in a deluxe travel case - for just £54!

■ **IT'S** the company behind one of the best-loved highlighters, so when Iconic London describes its new Sculpt & Boost Eyebrow Cushion as a game-changer in brow beauty, we take note.

The two-shade liquid brow compact promises effortlessly fuller-looking brows and also contains vitamin E to stimulate the growth of your natural arches. Available now in three shades (with applicators) priced £26.99, exclusively at iconiclondoninc.com

■ **LOOKING** for a scent that could ward off the winter blues?

Nineteenth century Parisian socialites spritzed the original Roger & Gallet colognes over hair, skin and clothes to signal happiness and frivolity. The concept has just been revived with Extrait de Cologne Cassis Frénésie, from £30, with rose, geranium and black-currant bud, roger-gallet.co.uk

CELEB SECRET

SHE'S one of the best-loved faces on TV and Holly Willoughby, right, has been sharing her beauty secrets.

The This Morning presenter told Red magazine how skincare queen Liz Earle taught her a bathtime trick.

"She came on This Morning and she made a milk bath for Mother's Day. (Liz) got that old school dried milk powder and dried rose petals covered in loads of rose and lavender essential oils, and mixed them in with the milk powder.

"Then you just take a scoop and put it in your bath to make a milky bath - it's so soft!"



Wearable wonder: The Giambattista Valli AW17 look at Milan Fashion Week

Contrasted with perfectly polished, dewy skin, a burgundy lip pencil was applied over the entire lips, followed by a smear of matte liquid lip colour and a generous dose of clear lip gloss, to give the shiniest finish possible.

■ **Get the look:** MAC lip pencil in burgundy, £13; MAC retro matte liquid lip colour in High Drama, £17.50; MAC lipglass clear, £15, all maccosmetics.co.uk

A message to you, ruby: A model on the catwalk during Topshop's AW2017 London Fashion Week show

FASHION FOCUS

STYLE
FILES

THE LATEST FROM THE
CATWALK, RED CARPET
AND HIGH STREET



■ **MODEL** Chrissy Teigen has produced a range of clothing for fashion brand Revolve.

"It's all about being confident and feeling sexy," says mum-of-one Chrissy - who is also Mrs John Legend - about the collection. We particularly like the slinky lingerie and sexy dresses. Pictured Thai tea bralette, £59.76, Chrissy, right, wears shaggy coat £190.01, revolve.com

■ **WE ARE** going to have to come to terms with the fact that autumn is well and truly here and it is definitely getting colder. Well, at least that means we can start



investing in some new knitwear, there are plenty to choose from on the high street but we will definitely be picking up one of these Fairisle style numbers

from George at Asda, above, especially as they are just £16!

■ **SPEAKING** of knits, December 15 brings this year's Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children.

The shops are already filling up with festive knits and a host of celebrities have designed luxurious versions for fashion label Selfish Mother including models Laura Bailey, Erin O'Connor, Adwoa Aboah and Laura Bailey. We love Poppy Delevingne's 'All That Glitters' sweater, pictured. The sweaters are available now from thefmlystore.com priced £50 with a 50% donation to Save the Children.



■ **LOOKING** for a bargain day bag? Then let us point you in the direction of this baby from M&Co. We love the funky leopard print

strap and the price, just £22, mandco.com



White cashmere-touch cable crew neck £24.90, Uniqlo
Sizes XXS-XXL
95% cotton, 5% cashmere
Hand wash cold

Cashmere-blend camel jumper £39.99, also available in red, H&M
Sizes 6-18.
90% wool
5% cashmere
Machine wash at 30C



Navy boat-neck jumper, was £49, now £29, WoolOvers
Size S-XL
80% merino wool, 20% cashmere
Machine wash delicates



WOOLLEN WONDERS

From pure yarns to mixed blends and cashmere, there's a beautifully soft and stylish jumper out there to suit your lifestyle and budget. By **AMBER GRAAFLAND**



Camel jumper with cut-out back detail £90, Topshop Boutique
Sizes 4-16
90% wool, 10% cashmere
Wash cold, do not tumble dry



F&F cowl-neck pink cashmere jumper £65, Tesco
Size 8-22
100% cashmere
Machine washable



Red pure cashmere round-neck ribbed jumper £75, available in six colours, Marks & Spencer
Sizes 6-24
100% cashmere
Machine washable at 30C

FASHION FOCUS

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SINGER SONGWRITER
KERRI WATT REVEALS HER
FASHION PASSIONS

What are you wearing today?
Black ankle cowboy boots, blue jeans, a white T-shirt and a knee length velvet duster.

Who's your style icon?
Jimi Hendrix

What item of clothing do you spend the most on? Cool, unique jackets.

What is your favourite piece of clothing in your wardrobe? My pair of high waisted, faded blue denim flares from American Threads.

What is the most expensive item in your wardrobe? An awesome jacket from Givenchy that I wore on stage to support Coldplay.

What has been your biggest fashion disaster? At school I went through this phase where I'd wear my hair in bunches and then wear my fringe in bunches at the same time - I looked like an alien.

Who is your favourite designer? I've never really followed a single designer, I love trends and vintage fashion. I'm feeling a 70s vibe at the moment.

Which is your favourite high street store? Free People.

What is your top fashion tip? There is no right or wrong. Take risks, be confident and be you!

■ Kerri Watt is currently touring the UK. Go to kerriwatt.com for details.

BY MARION MCMULLEN

Grey aviator jacket £35, George at Asda



Maroon jacket £89.99, Zara



Red aviator jacket £75, Miss Selfridge



FLIGHT PATH

The aviator jacket is staging a spectacular style comeback this autumn, **EMMA JOHNSON** takes a look

Pale pink faux shearling aviator jacket, V by Very, £80, very.co.uk



Check shearling-look jacket £64.99, New Look



Silver and cream aviator jacket £69, Dorothy Perkins





River Island yellow jacket
£92 at Littlewoods.com

DRESSED TO IMPRESS

THOSE Hollywood types eh? The town may be awash with all sorts of scandal concerning some very high profile people but the A-list put it all behind them at the weekend and got on their gladrags for the annual back-slapping event that is the Hollywood Film Awards.

All the big hitters were on the red carpet, and while a lot

of actresses opted for tailored suits, plenty of others went for mega-watt glamour.

Cases in point Angelina Jolie and Amy Adams.

Angelina, far left, who hasn't exactly had the most fun 12 months - what with the split from Brad Pitt and all - looked back to her old-school glamour best in a slinky silver gown from British designer Jenny Packham, which she accessorised with Tiffany jewels and a ruby red pout. Great to see her looking so glossy again.



Meanwhile, Nocturnal Animals star Amy

shone in a skintight sequin column dress with sheer panelled neckline and tailored tux. The diamond jewellery brought a bit of bling to the dark look but it is those Veronica Lake-style curls that we are coveting.

Now that is what we call a very good hair day...

ACCESSORISE ALL AREAS



ANYONE still living by the misguided maxim that red and green should never be seen needs to take a look at this picture of the flame-haired Bryce Dallas Howard at this week's Hollywood awards.

Those emerald drop earrings are simple yet elegant and really bring out the pale green/grey of the Jurassic Park actress' pretty peepers.

IT'S A WHITE OUT

FOR a twist on the ubiquitous ankle boot why not switch black for white? Isabel Marant's Dawell boots, top right (£380 at farfetch.com) are the cool girl's dream buy.

However if you'd rather have some money to buy a pair of jeans to go with your boots, then what about this pair from George, bottom right, which are a real style steal at just £15.



CELEBRITY WELLBEING

SHE may look the picture of confidence on the catwalks, but supermodel-turned-actress Cara Delevingne wasn't always the seemingly fearless fashion icon she is now.

The 25-year-old, whose net worth is rumoured to be £14m, admits to channelling a lot of her own teenage angst into her debut YA novel, *Mirror Mirror*. It centres on four misfit teens who form their own family through a band, as they attempt to deal with the challenges adolescence throws at them.

Some might wonder what this girl from a privileged background – her father, Charles, is a successful property developer and she grew up in the elite enclave of London's Belgravia – had to worry about.

However, she has said that while growing up, she never felt good enough and felt pretty weird and different as a child – so she can feel the loneliness of her characters, Red, Leo, Rose and Naomi.

"Growing up in London, the angst, the hormones, starting to figure out who you are and what you want to do, and hating yourself and loving yourself and looking at other people, you realise that at the end of the day, it doesn't matter what anyone else thinks," says Cara. "It just comes down to who you are and who you want to be, and if you don't know who that is, it doesn't matter."

"If it's weird and if you want to chop your hair off or dye your hair green or put on a stupid hat, it doesn't matter. Just do what you want to do."

Red, the main protagonist, has an alcoholic mother (Cara's mother Pandora, a former debutante and model, struggled with addiction to prescription drugs and heroin). Other issues the characters tackle in varying degrees include self-image dilemmas, dark moods, drug-taking, a questionable suicide attempt and confused sexuality.

There are several surprising twists in the plot. When one of the group, Naomi, disappears and is found at death's door in the Thames, with police claiming a failed suicide attempt, the weaknesses, insecurities and secrets of the other band members emerge.

Cara, too, had her fair share of challenges growing up. At 15, she suffered a bout of severe depression, the culmination of a period of anxiety and self-hatred.

She would self-harm, scratching herself until she bled, was prescribed anti-psychotic drugs, would slam herself against a tree to try to knock herself out and ended up seeing a string of therapists, she later told *US Vogue*.

The depression resurfaced when she was 22, but today, she says it's not a recurring theme in her life.

"We all get down, but mental illness is something that's very important that we all need to talk about. I'm very lucky and grateful to be able to do things that I get to do. I work very hard and I just need to make sure that I spend enough time looking after myself."

"Writing the book has certainly

Mental illness is something we all need to talk about

Supermodel-turned-actress and writer Cara Delevingne talks to **HANNAH STEPHENSON** about teenage troubles and how she is now living the dream on screen

been the best kind of therapy I've ever had, for sure, because it's there to help other people in therapy in some way. If you can talk about experiences and other people read it and enjoy it, that's great," she admits.

"When you bottle things up and don't allow yourself to be emotional, when you don't feel things, whether it came out as depression when I was 15 or as psoriasis when I was 18,

I tend to bottle things up and brush things under the carpet. It's just about learning to express those things, which is why I write music and have learned how to cry."

Music and acting have always helped her escape the more painful elements of her life, she has said. Cara's already starred in 2016 blockbuster *Suicide Squad* and recent sci-fi adventure *Valerian And The City Of A Thousand Planets*.

Now sporting a brunette pixie-style haircut, she shaved her hair to star in the forthcoming *Life In A Year*, in which she plays a teenage cancer patient.

"I'm living my dream, I'm living my fantasy, from when I was a kid. "I'm doing a TV show and playing a fairy (in a series called *Carnival Row*, opposite Orlando Bloom) – it's the coolest thing ever," Cara enthuses. "I'm only 25 and I've already shaved my head for a role, playing a cancer patient. That is incredible, to be able to play these roles."

Writing the book while in the midst of shooting *Life In A Year* was also therapeutic, she reflects. "I found the writing process liberating. "It was the light at the

end of the tunnel.

"While in the role, I was in a very dark place. Writing the book gave me a window of light."

The novel is peppered with Snapchat streaks, references to WhatsApp, secret Facebook forums and chat rooms, material familiar to any teenager.

"I grew up later, after the social media thing. For me, I would have alienated myself more with it," says Cara, who has more than 40 million Instagram followers.

She also explores sexuality in the book, as the teenagers struggle to find themselves.

It's been well documented that she has dated both men and women. She recently told *Glamour* magazine: "Once I spoke about my sexual fluidity, people were like, 'So you're gay'. And I'm like, 'No, I'm not gay'."

While films and books seem to be the way her career is heading, what about modelling?

"It's something that I'll probably not always do – I don't know if I'm always going to look the way I look – so I don't know," Cara confesses.

"Modelling has been a big part of my life and it's what I'm known for, but it's not something that I've been writing about – but maybe I will one day."

■ *Mirror Mirror* by Cara Delevingne with Rowan Coleman is published by Trapeze, priced £12.99.

Model, actress and author Cara Delevingne, left, and her new book, *Mirror Mirror*, below left



BEETROOT helps muscles recover after intense exercise, according to new research by the University of Northumbria.

It could be because red beetroot is a rich source of nitrate and a group of bioactive pigments called betalains, which have antioxidant and anti-inflammatory properties.

To test the theory, researchers recruited 30 men between 18 and 28, who work out at least twice a week, to do 100 intensive jump exercises, which cause muscle damage in their legs.

For three days the men drank either 250ml of beetroot juice, 125ml of beetroot juice or a placebo drink which had the same calorie and carbohydrate content as beetroot juice.

The 250ml dose of beetroot juice did result in a faster recovery of jump height performance and reduced muscle soreness in both beetroot drinking groups.

The study's lead author, Dr Tom Clifford, said: "Three days of consuming the higher beetroot juice dose enhanced participants' recovery."

Those in the beetroot juice group jumped an average of 18% higher than those in the placebo group two days after completing the bout of exercise."

DOCTOR'S NOTE

THOUSANDS more breast cancer patients ought to be offered gene testing to help identify relatives who may be at risk of developing the disease, says a new study.

The work, by a team at the Institute of Cancer Research in London and the Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust, suggested using new criteria on women to test for BRCA1 and BRCA2 genes.

Doctors currently ask women about their family history when deciding whether to offer a gene test, but the study suggested this approach can be unreliable.

Of the 1,020 patients tested, the study found 110 had a BRCA mutation. Half of these would have been missed using current criteria for testing, the study found.

It added that the new approach could also be cost-effective for the NHS, owing to cancers which could be prevented in relatives.



Cara with co-star Dane DeHaan in *Valerian And The City Of A Thousand Planets*



PAST TIMES

As one of the biggest albums of the 80s is re-released, **MARION McMULLEN** catches up with the hit-maker behind many of the decade's iconic sounds

DO YOU know what ABC, Grace Jones and Frankie Goes To Hollywood all have in common?

The answer is multi-talented music producer Trevor Horn. He was behind some of the biggest hits of the 1980s and the first music video to ever be played on MTV in 1981 was Video Killed The Radio Star – the song he recorded as part of Buggles.

He was also a founding member of The Art Of Noise, worked with rock group Yes and produced ABC's hit album *The Lexicon Of Love*, songs such as *Hand Held In Black And White* for singing duo Dollar and the Grace Jones hit *Slave To The Rhythm*.

Trevor's music was the soundtrack of the decade and he helped bring sex, love and nuclear war to the charts with Frankie Goes To Hollywood's debut 1984 double album *Welcome To The Pleasuredome*. The must-have fashion item of the time was a Frankie Says Relax T-shirt and everyone was counting down to the release of the band's first album.

"It was a very interesting period of time," remembers Trevor with a smile. "We were working in the studio from January onwards doing the album. It seemed like we didn't have enough material at the start. Two Tribes and Relax were so big and it felt weird putting them on the album with just a few other tracks."

"The album was always going to be called *Welcome To The Pleasuredome*, but when we started the album the track was three-and-a-half minutes long and by the time it was finished it was one whole side of the album."

Trevor says they embraced new technology that had never been available before and created a distinctive sound of pop, funk and disco.

"The band really started to come together on that record," he says.

"They played Bruce Springsteen's *Born To Run* on one track and practised for days. They wanted it to be perfect. I would normally work from late morning until two or three the following morning but, you know, if you get on a roll you just keep going – I did take weekends off though."

The double album was recorded with engineer Steve Lipson at the Sarm West Studios in West London – where Band Aid also recorded charity single *Do They Know It's Christmas* in the same year.

"It was a lovely time," says 68-year-old Trevor. "Sarm West, where we did everything, is just off Portobello Road



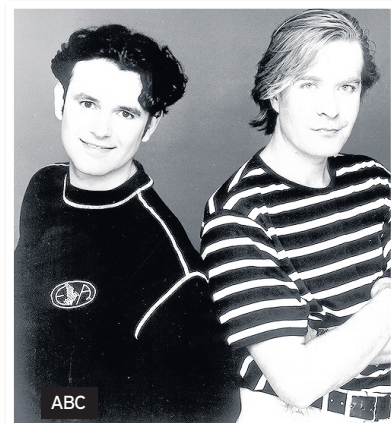
Frankie Goes to Hollywood



Dollar



Hitmaker Trevor Horn



ABC



Trevor, left, in the studio

RELAX ... Frankie's back

and we would have Pet Shop Boys in one studio and George Michael in another. George practically lived in Studio Two. There was a real vibe about the whole place and at night you had 15 or 20 regulars who would just come in and George would be wandering about the corridors.

"With *Relax* we had to do the song pretty quickly – three or four days in the end. We worked on different versions but, when we got it, it was exciting. When we came to work on the album, *Two Tribes* and *Relax* were both still in the top 20 and to follow up such big records was really hard. You know if you get it wrong people lose interest."

Welcome To The Pleasuredome was released on October 29, 1984, and went straight to number one in the UK album chart with advance orders of one million sales alone. The album track *The Power Of Love* became the band's third number one single. The groundbreaking record has now been re-released as part of BMG's *Art Of The Album* series as a deluxe edition, pictured above.

Trevor says: "Listening to it now it is an amazing record. It used technology that does not exist now, well, it does but people don't really

use it, and it is an amazing sound."

Music has always played a big part of Trevor's life. "I played bass in the youth orchestra. My dad was a bass player, so I played bass and then I played bass guitar. I was 15 or 16 and I played just about everywhere."

"There was only me and a bass player in Leicester who could read music and play bass guitar. I stopped trying to work in the normal world at 16 and became a professional musician. I was working every night and during the day doing various sessions for people and working on TV. If you can sight read music you can work. You can show up and play and if you were working for dance bands you had to read music."

Trevor worked as a session musician until he was 30 when Buggles came along and since then he has worked with many of the top names in music from Robbie Williams and Seal to Tom Jones and Paul McCartney. He says he always feels at home in the recording studio.

"I've worked with a lot of people that's for sure," he laughs, "there's so many I forget sometimes. It's about helping people to get what they want on a record and helping them achieve what they want to achieve."

"A studio is a wonderful place if you like music. It's soundproofed, locked away, and you are working so people can't disturb you."



Grace Jones



Trevor on stage

artists and records and there is nothing like that now. There's Jools (Holland), God bless him, but *Top Of The Pops* had a massive audience back then and really helped the whole British music scene. But you can't bring it back. It wouldn't be the same. You can't go back."

Trevor performs with his nine-piece band of seven musicians and two singers.

He adds: "I went to see Grace Jones at the Hollywood Bowl a couple of years back when she was touring. She must have been through most of the first set before I realised that she was naked from the waist up because she was strangely painted."

"I didn't want to lag behind at the end and get caught in the crowds and I was leaving when she started singing the last song *Slave To The Rhythm*. It made me pause and I stopped and listened and it sounded great."

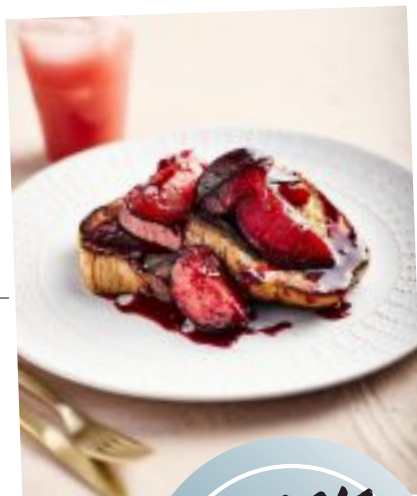
■ **THE Art Of The Album** special edition of Frankie Goes to Hollywood's *Welcome To The Pleasuredome* is out now via BMG.



FOOD & DRINK

Season your meal times with a little compassion

MADE IN CHELSEA'S LUCY WATSON TELLS ELLA WALKER WHY SHE WANTS VEGANISM TO GO MAINSTREAM



SNACK ATTACK

FRENCH TOAST WITH SPICED PLUMS

INGREDIENTS: (Serves 2)

200ml almond milk
2tbsp light brown soft sugar
2tbsp wholemeal flour
1tbsp nutritional yeast
½tsp ground cinnamon
A pinch of salt
2tbsp vegan butter
4 thick slices day-old white bloomer bread, sliced about 2cm thick
For the spiced plums:
3tbsp vegan butter
3tbsp light soft brown sugar
6 large ripe plums, pitted and quartered
¼tsp ground ginger
¼tsp ground cinnamon

METHOD:

1. Begin by pan-frying the plums. Put the butter and sugar in a non-stick frying pan over a high heat. When it begins to bubble, put the plums in. Sprinkle over the spices and cook for four to five minutes until soft, stirring occasionally. The plums should be well coated with the glossy syrup. Remove from the heat.

2. Pour the milk into a bowl and add the sugar, flour, nutritional yeast, cinnamon and salt. Whisk well.
3. Put a large non-stick frying pan over a medium-high heat. Put the butter in the pan and wait until it begins to sizzle. Take each piece of bread and dip both sides into the milk mixture until soaked well.
4. Add the soaked bread slices to the pan and cook for three to four minutes on each side until golden brown and crispy. Put the plums back over the heat to warm through.
5. Serve the plums on the bread, making sure to use up all the spiced buttery syrup.

VEGANISM and indulgence are not things you'd necessarily associate with one another, but former

Made In Chelsea star and influencer, Lucy Watson, is trying to change that.

The 27-year-old, who grew up feeding the ducks on her parents' farm and became vegetarian aged six, switched to veganism two years ago – but got bored of being stuck in a cycle of just eating salads and soups. "I was a bit clueless about what I could eat," she admits, "and I did miss indulging myself."

Hence her cookbook, *Feed Me Vegan*, to help make other people's "journey to being vegan a little less daunting", and prove that "food can still be amazing, even if it's vegan". Think cruelty-free mac and cheese, banoffee pie, chocolate fudge cake, chilli, cheeseburgers and carbonara – yes really.

Cutting out dairy, she says, wasn't a challenge in itself: "I don't miss the food at all, it would actually make me feel a bit sick if I ate it now."

However, she does occasionally miss the ease of being able to walk into a restaurant – and order anything off the menu without having to go through the rigmarole of explaining veganism to a bemused waiter. But awareness has massively improved, even in the couple of years since she made the switch.

In fact, it's a growing trend – between 2006-2016, the number of vegans in Britain increased by



Reality bites: Lucy Watson has made it easier for people to enjoy veganism



360%, and Lucy reckons veganism "will eventually become mainstream". Partly because "the planet can't cope with the pressure we're putting on it", and partly because "we all have compassion within us", she says.

"I think eventually, people will realise that veganism is the only compassionate option," Lucy adds passionately. "Eventually they'll change laws around the situation, and it will become a lot harder to access non-vegan products. I hope to see it in this lifetime, and if not, I'd hope to leave behind some sort of influence."

She believes we need to change how we talk about animals in relation to food. "It's completely fabricated to us at school. If anything, we're taught to love animals; we're never

taught the connection between them and dinner," she says, describing how distancing terms like beef and pork can be. "If we were educated from the get-go, I think a lot of children would be opposed to it straightaway."

By adulthood, she says it's often too late: "A lot of people don't even want to know by then."

Lucy's household is not entirely vegan though – her pets still eat fish (her German Spitz Digby keeps barking happily in the background during our chat). "I feed them all-organic, ethically-sourced fish. It's the best I can offer for them," she says. "I don't even know if they should really be living under my roof, the domesticated animal thing is all a bit baffling – so I don't really want to force them to live a life I would probably

adapt to a lot more easily than they do."

And what about her boyfriend, model and fellow MIC alumni James Dunmore? He was a meat-eater, however, Lucy reveals: "The other day he said, 'I'm going to go pescatarian', and to be fair, he's pretty much been pescatarian since. Before that he had chicken in his life, which was in our freezer."

Lucy's sister Tiff and mum Fiona are vegan too – so what are they going to eat at Christmas, with turkey off the menu? "Christmas is an interesting one, but it's just one day, it doesn't really matter," she says with a laugh. "I'll just be eating a s***-load of vegetables."

■ *Feed Me Vegan* by Lucy Watson, photography Mike English, is published by Sphere, priced £16.99.

ONE of the giddiest things I do when I'm visiting vineyards is look for the winery doggie and take as many photographs of the said doggie while forgetting to listen, look and learn. I had a giddy moment a couple of weeks ago in Bordeaux.

The most beautiful little bundle of fur called Eau de Vie was padding around her master at Château Pitray and I was mesmerised. I was also mesmerised by the château itself; it was veiled in fog, dew was on the ground and the gothic architecture was framed by grey skies and trees whose autumnal leaves were beginning to lazily drift to the ground.

This, I thought, is pretty special. Surely the wines are

RAISE A GLASS

WITH JANE CLARE



going to be so out of my usual price bracket? Well, definitely not.

One of the misconceptions about Bordeaux wines is that the majority of prices are in the premier league; but nothing could be further from the truth. In fact only 5% of wines from Bordeaux are "exclusive"; the rest are very much affordable.

If you've never dipped your toe (or nose) into a Bordeaux wine then here are some pointers.

The reds are predominantly made from merlot, cabernet

sauvignon and cabernet franc.

You might have heard of the terms right bank and left bank. In left bank wines, cab sav leads from the front. They are called left bank because the vineyards sit to the left of the Garonne River (to the west, next to the sea). Look for names such as Médoc, Haut-Médoc, Pauillac, Margaux and Saint-Estèphe. They're typically blackcurrant with leather, spice and woody notes.

If you like fruitier reds you'll prefer right bank wines, where merlot is king. Look for Pomerol and Saint-Émilion among others.

There are whites too, with sauvignon blanc and semillon casting a fresh and fruity spell in the Entre Deux Mers region and shaping elegant wines in Graves and Pessac-Léognan.

Back to Château Pitray and the tasting room. I was very much paying attention and not thinking about doggies. The reason being the price.

Here are a couple of wines from the Château and a handful of others to look out for.

Château de Pitray, Castillon Côtes de Bordeaux 2012 (£8.95, thewinesociety.com, 12% abv);

Premier Vin du Château de Pitray 2014 (£11.99, or £9.99 in a buy six deal from Majestic, 12.5% abv). Rounded wines, vanilla, summer fruits, back fruits, rich and ripe.

Tesco Finest St Emilion (£16, 13% abv) is a blend of merlot and cabernet franc. I visited the winery at Château Val D'Or which is at the cutting edge of developing sustainability in

Bordeaux.

Waitrose St Emilion French Red Wine (£13.49, 13% abv) is made in partnership with the winemaking team at the Union de Producteurs de St-Émilion, one of the most respected co-operatives of the region. It is one of a selection of 175 wines in the Everyday Bordeaux list drawn up by the team at Bordeaux Wines UK.

■ GO to bordeaux.com/uk/ Choosing-a-Wine to check out the wines (all priced between £6-20). You can follow @BordeauxWinesUK on Twitter, Instagram, or Facebook.

■ Jane is a member of the Circle of Wine Writers. Find her on social media and online as One Foot in the Grapes.



INGREDIENTS: (Serves 6)
500g dried macaroni; 40g dried wild mushrooms; 2tbsp vegan butter; 250g chestnut mushrooms; 2 garlic cloves, finely chopped; 1tbsp thyme leaves; sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

For the bechamel sauce:
50g vegan butter; 3tbsp plain flour; 800ml almond milk; ¼tsp grated nutmeg; 4tbsp nutritional yeast; 200g vegan Cheddar cheese, grated; 50g vegan Parmesan cheese, finely grated; Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

For the topping:
40g vegan Parmesan cheese, grated; 2tbsp finely chopped flat-leaf parsley leaves

METHOD:

1. Preheat the oven to 220°C (200°C fan, gas 7). Cook the macaroni in boiling, salted water according to the packet instructions, until al dente. Drain in a colander and refresh under cold water until cooled.

2. Put the dried mushrooms in a small heatproof bowl. Pour 150ml boiling water over them and leave to rehydrate for 15 minutes.



Drain the mushrooms, reserving the liquid for the bechamel sauce. Roughly chop the mushrooms.

3. Melt the butter in a non-stick frying pan over a high heat. When hot, add the wild mushrooms, chestnut mushrooms, garlic and thyme. Cook for five to eight minutes until the mushrooms have browned well. Season with salt and pepper, and remove from the heat.
4. To make the bechamel sauce, put a large saucepan over a medium heat, then add the butter and stir until melted. Add the flour and

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cook for one minute, stirring constantly. Whisk in the milk, and continue to whisk until the sauce thickens, then lower the heat and add the remaining ingredients. Stir until the cheese has completely melted.

5. Remove from the heat and season with salt and pepper. Add the mushrooms and macaroni to the saucepan with the sauce and stir well until everything is evenly coated. Transfer to a deep 25 x 30cm ovenproof dish.

6. Mix the topping ingredients together and sprinkle over the macaroni. Cook in the oven for 20-25 minutes or until the topping is golden brown and crunchy.

INGREDIENTS: (Serves 1)

100g dried flat rice noodles
1tbsp soy sauce
1tbsp tamarind paste
1tbsp light muscovado sugar
1tbsp vegetable oil
1 garlic clove, finely chopped
2.5cm piece of fresh root ginger, peeled and cut into thin strips
½ red onion, thinly sliced
¼tsp ground turmeric
100g firm tofu, crumbled
120g prepared stir-fry vegetable mix (such as carrots, beansprouts, Asian greens, etc)
1tbsp chopped peanuts and chopped coriander leaves, to garnish
2 lime wedges, to serve

METHOD:

1. Soak the noodles in cold water for 10 minutes or until soft.

2. Put the soy sauce, tamarind and sugar in a bowl and mix together, then leave to one side.

3. Put a non-stick wok over a high heat. When hot, add the oil, garlic and ginger, and cook for 30 seconds. Add the onion, turmeric and tofu, and stir-fry for four to five minutes or until the tofu

becomes crispy. Add the vegetable mix and stir-fry for two minutes.

4. Lift the noodles out of the water and put directly into the wok. Stir-fry for two minutes, then add the tamarind sauce mix and two tablespoons of water. Stir-fry for another two to three minutes or until the noodles are soft and coated in the thickened liquid, then garnish with peanuts and coriander. Serve with lime wedges.

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GETAWAY

KENNETH Branagh's all-star reboot of *Murder On The Orient Express*, starring Judi Dench, Penelope Cruz and Johnny Depp, is set to spark a resurgence of interest in author Agatha Christie's books and the exotic locations she featured.

But you don't have to splash out on tickets for the Orient Express or travel to Egypt to feel close to her works. Simply head to Devon, where she spent most of her life, and found inspiration for many of her books and characters.

Agatha spent her first 28 years in the coastal town of Torquay, the faded glory of which has become its charm. A blue plaque marks the place where she was born at home on the hilly Barton Road, and there's a commemorative bust in the town square.

Local guide John Risdon, who is a fountain of knowledge when it comes to Agatha Christie, is available for private tours. He reveals that a young Agatha would roller-skate along Torquay's Princess Pier, where she played pranks on unsuspecting locals with her school friends.

Legend also has it she would taunt prudish elderly pedestrians by peeling off one glove and defiantly waving her nude hand – a major taboo in those days.

Just a few minutes' walk from the pier is Beacon Cove, formerly Ladies Bathing Cove, where Agatha claimed she once almost drowned while trying to save her young nephew. Agatha was dragged out of her depth by the current, only for a lifeguard to scoop her up at the last minute. As John quips: "There would be no *Murder On The Orient Express* if it wasn't for him!"

There's also the remote and undeniably romantic Anstey's Cove, only accessible by foot, where Agatha was supposedly once caught canoodling with a young man by the name of Amyas Boston.

While their romance was short-lived, astute Christie fans will note that Amyas is the name of a victim in Christie's celebrated novel *Five Little Pigs*.

But it wasn't all fun and games for young Agatha. She studied to be a nurse during WWI and helped wounded veterans at a local Torquay hospital that included a pharmaceutical dispensary. Now a block of luxury converted flats, this is where Agatha gained her vast knowledge of poisons and felt inspired to start writing her first detective novel, *The Mysterious Affair At Styles*.

Agatha stayed at many of the boarding houses and hotels across Torquay, having settled for a new life in St John's Wood, London, with her first husband Archie Christie. Married in 1914, they stayed at Torquay's The Grand hotel for their honeymoon. Dating back to 1881, Torquay's "historic jewel" is still one of the town's most popular hotels.

Fans of the writer will be pleased to know that her suite is still available to book and retains many of its original features, boasting Art Deco design flourishes and glorious views of the sea. Naturally very

Uncover the mysteries of Agatha Christie's Devon

Agatha Christie spent much of her youth in pretty Torquay

As Kenneth Branagh's version of *Murder On The Orient Express* hits cinemas **LAURA HANNAM** follows in the footsteps of the famed crime writer

popular, the suite books up quickly, and typically costs around £300 per night.

What's more, The Grand regularly holds murder mystery-themed dinners, run by Candlelight Murder Mystery.

A short drive away from The Grand lies the stunning 12th century Torre Abbey, where the International Agatha Christie Festival is held every September. Each year thousands of Christie fans gather to swap books, hear lectures and enjoy high tea.

Although the writer had no direct links to the abbey, its team

of gardeners has planted a poison garden patch in her memory. Featuring dozens of surprisingly lethal plants featured in her novels, it's become a popular talking point at the annual festival.

An essential stop for any Agatha Christie aficionado is Greenway Estate, on the River Dart near Brixham. It is the magnificent rural summer home she purchased with her husband in 1938. She fondly describes it in her memoir as a "dream home" and it's even referred to in some of her novels, including *Dead Man's Folly* and *Five Little Pigs*.

Getting to Greenway is half the fun for visitors who choose to travel as Agatha did – by train and ferry. Board the fabulously romantic Dartmouth Steam Railway train at seaside town Paignton, then hop off at Dartmouth to board the Dartmouth Ferry as it steers towards Greenway Quay. The entire journey should take you no longer than an hour, depending upon connections, and costs around £17 per

person for a round trip.

Views of the water and surrounding forests await, as Greenway Estate peeks out through the wilderness.

Visitors can roam the sprawling grounds of the National Trust property (entry for non-National Trust members is £11 per adult), which features the Christie family's pet graveyard and Agatha's own flower garden. The house is packed with memorabilia and many of the author's first-edition works.

The gardeners are keen to maintain much of the property's original rugged and wild charm, making it a labyrinth to explore.

There's even an option to stay at the house. The National Trust has converted parts of the mansion's first and second floor into a luxury holiday rental that can sleep up to eight. Visitors are required to stay for a minimum of three nights, costing around £500.

Charming and quintessentially English, a trip to Agatha Christie country is worth investigating.

Many of Christie's personal items, such as this passport, remain at Greenway Quay

“Getting to Greenway is half the fun for visitors who choose to travel as Agatha did... by train and ferry

From top: Johnny Depp in *Murder On The Orient Express* and Christie's beloved Greenway Estate

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Pathfinder

Beginning with the top highlighted letter, follow a continuous path of words associated with the given subject. The trail goes through each letter once, twisting up, down and sideways, but never diagonally.

Shapes

H	O	N	L	I	P	S	K	I	T	Y	L	I	O	N
E	G	E	L	T	C	E	E	L	C	D	N	G	T	
X	A	E	L	A	E	Q	G	N	R	E	T	A	E	
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O	G	C	O	M	A	P	R	H	R	P	I	R	E	A
N	A	T	D	I	R	Y	M	S	I	E	L	C	S	L

Split Decision

Cross out one of the two letters in each divided square to reveal a completed crossword grid.

S	A	Z	I	S
F	O	K	E	D
A		N		U
J	A	B	E	Y
H	C	U	I	R
E	I	F	R	T
D	N	A	A	R
				Y

Sudoku

There is one simple rule in Sudoku. Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 to 9, and so must each 3 x 3 box.

Easy

	7	5		8	3			9
3		1					2	
9	6			4		5		8
	4		6			3	7	
		3		7		9		
	2	7			4		8	
		8		3			1	6
	3	6				2		5
1			7				9	3

Hard

	9			4			6	7
8	2							1
			5		1			
			1	6		8		
4								9
		8		2	9			
					3			
6			2				1	5
3	1			8			2	

Two Speed Crossword

This two-speed crossword has two sets of clues, but just one grid. If you can't solve the Cryptic clue, try the Quick.

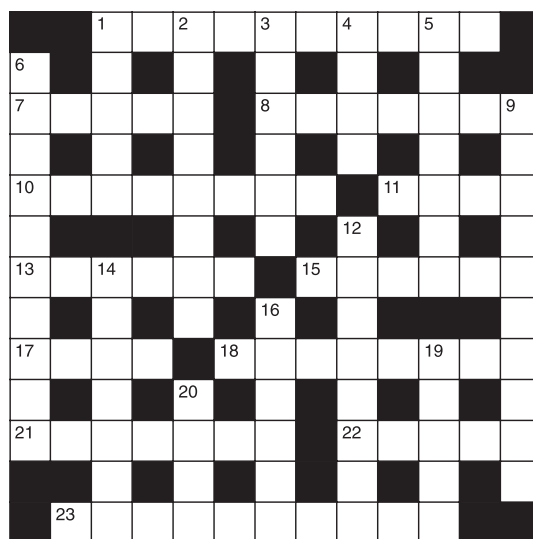
Cryptic

Across

- His activities may lead to a fine result (10)
- In the sun at a lovely part of South Africa (5)
- One engaged in hedge-cutting, a quick-moving craft (7)
- 10 & 12 Dn. They currently make things hot for those who are lying (8,8)
- Obligated to be new wine (4)
- Rebukes vituperative females (6)
- Hammer winter sports equipment (6)
- A bit of heart-searching associated with a bachelor (4)
- Space not required for this kind of mining (4-4)
- In sleep I so described part of the story (7)
- Leonard is after the Spanish girl (5)
- Comfortable berth, but decidedly prickly to lie on! (3,2,5)

Down

- Ignited by high explosive - you need to be athletic! (5)
- Prosperous and in good health before the commotion (4-2-2)
- Spring back - wind up again (6)
- Very keen to help about five (4)
- Interpret what was once sterling (7)
- Subservient member of the federation to show modesty in speech (10)
- Going back and giving further medical attention (10)
- See 10 Across.
- Away team? One player is left after this (7)
- Real transformation near southern French town (5)
- A note repeated - that's only fair (2-2)



Scribble pad

Quick

Across

- Criminal (10)
- Of birth (5)
- Fast ship (7)
- 10 & 12Dn. Bed warmers (8,8)
- Grape juice (4)
- Chides (6)
- Toboggan (6)
- Creative activities (4)
- Type of mining (4-4)
- Incident (7)
- Girl's name (5)
- Luxurious situation (3,2,5)

Down

- Supple (5)
- Wealthy (4-2-2)
- Draw back (6)
- Enthusiastic (4)
- Explain (7)
- Speak of restrained (10)
- Withdrawing (10)
- See 10 Across.
- External (7)
- Seem (6)
- French city (5)
- Mediocre (2-2)

Codeword

This puzzle has no clues. Instead, every number printed in the grid represents a letter, with the same number always representing the same letter. For example, if 8 turns out to be a V, you can write in V wherever a square contains 8. Using your knowledge of words, complete the puzzle.

	1		25		7	18	24	4	T	I		2	17	11
25	21	18	13			12			11			26		6
	6		8	7	23	11	18	4			11	17	19	
8	25	11	9					2			15			11
			12		18	24	2	26	9	8	20	11		
16	6	9	11	14		18			10		11		23	
6		11			20	16	6				24		17	
9		22		12		25		16	25	25	8	11		
8	6	11	18	24	6	11	9		8					
17		2		18					23	18	17	13		
12	1	4		5	18	2	18	6	4		18			
11		11		11		1			17	18	3	11		
25	16	9	11	17	1	6	12		10		10			

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
			T									
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
			I									

Wordsquare

Give yourself ten minutes to find as many words as possible using the letters in the grid. Each word must use the central letter and at least 3 others, and letters may be used only once. You cannot use plurals, foreign words or proper nouns, but verb forms ending in 's' are permitted. There is one 9-letter word to be found.

How you rate:

25 words - average; 35 words - good; 45 words - very good; 60 or more - excellent.

S	E	F
R	U	O
P	E	L

Quiz

- Which recent BBC drama starred Jodie Whittaker as a nurse who steals a friend's identity to masquerade as a doctor?
- Which New Testament preacher is known as the 'Forerunner of Christ'?
- Who was the men's 100m gold medallist in the 1992 Barcelona Olympics?
- Whose wife disobeyed instructions not to look back at Sodom burning and was turned into a pillar of salt?
- Which hot wind blows from the North?



Q1 - Jodie Whittaker

- African desert across the Mediterranean to southern Europe?
- Who wrote The Darling Buds of May?
- Who became the youngest ever world heavyweight boxing champion in 1986?
- Which war was sparked off by the assassination of Archduke Francis Ferdinand in Sarajevo?
- How many centimetres in diameter is a standard CD?
- Which famous Manchester orchestra was set up in 1857?

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

Pathfinder

Trainspotting, Haywire, Big Fish, Shallow Grave, Down With Love, The Ghost Writer, Stormbreaker, Perfect Sense, Salmon Fishing in the Yemen, A Life Less Ordinary, Cassandra's Dream, Valiant, Brassed Off, Black Hawk Down, Being Human, Moulin Rouge, Miss Potter, Little Voice, Beginners..

Quiz

- Man in an Orange Shirt; 2. Exodus;
- Peru; 4. Iona; 5. The Maldives;
- 1605; 7. Thomas Edison; 8. Dizzy Gillespie; 9. St. Helena; 10. Peter Cook.

Sudoku

9	1	3	7	5	2	8	6	4
4	8	6	9	3	1	2	7	5
7	5	2	4	8	6	3	9	1
6	2	4	1	9	3	5	8	7
3	7	1	5	6	8	9	4	2
8	9	5	2	7	4	6	1	3
1	3	8	6	2	7	4	5	9
5	6	7	3	4	9	1	2	8
2	4	9	8	1	5	7	3	6

1	7	5	6	3	2	9	4	8
2	9	3	8	7	4	1	6	5
6	4	8	1	5	9	7	3	2
9	2	6	4	8	7	3	5	1
7	8	1	5	6	3	2	9	4
5	3	4	9	2	1	8	7	6
4	6	2	3	9	8	5	1	7
8	1	9	7	4	5	6	2	3
3	5	7	2	1	6	4	8	9

Codeword

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
U	C	D	G	M	X	N	A	T	R	B	L	K
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
V	H	Y	F	P	Z	I	E	Q	J	S	W	O

Split Decision

A	R	R	O	W
F		E		H
T	E	A	S	E
E		D		R
R	H	Y	M	E

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YOUR HOME

Masters of the rolls

GABRIELLE FAGAN speaks to three wallpaper experts about the hottest new looks for 2018

Walls – like presents – look their best when well-wrapped. And there's now a huge choice of wallpapers out there, so they can shimmer, sparkle or stun with texture, pattern and colour.

Papering a single feature wall, or a whole room, is also a 'fast' way to embrace a trend. After all, we're increasingly following home fashion just as closely we do clothes – and a winning combination of cutting-edge digital technology and brilliant designs makes it possible to literally transform a setting with just a roll of paper.

Here, three experts in the field reveal their wallpaper wisdom and trend predictions for the year ahead...



Above: Rasch log pattern wallpaper rustic wood stripe motif faux effect, £16.99, I Want Wallpaper

Right: Graham & Brown's Pierre, in a pink hand-painted magnolia design with a white gold metallic backdrop, currently from £40 to £32 a roll



Catherine Jacobs

Head of Design at Murals Wallpaper

"Wallpaper has observed tradition for too long and people are starting to acknowledge its potential in their homes," says Catherine Jacob, head of design at Murals Wallpaper, who offers a range of designs and can create bespoke wall murals from images, designs or photographs.

"Generally, patterns are becoming more daring, with large-scale dark florals, jungle prints and bright coloured geometrics enlivening the landscape of

walls once dominated by a conventional neutral palette of paint."

For 2018, she predicts large-scale images or repeat patterns will offer a punchy alternative to small, ditsy patterns.

"Millennial pink reigns as the new black, but lilac tones are gaining popularity," Catherine adds.

"Faux texture wallpapers are recognised as a brilliant way to change the character of a space, with brick for a rustic look or concrete for a chic industrial feel, or even wool for softer luxury. The craft/handmade movement is inspiring more free-flowing painterly styles, merging the look of artisan skills with digital-age technology."

TOP TIP: To enhance a setting and ensure a beautiful wall covering is the focus of a room, pick out key colours from the design and repeat them in plain fabrics and painted woodwork.



Above: Ubud Mayhem wallpaper, £50 a roll, Graham & Brown

Left: White knit texture wall mural, £36 per square metre, Murals Wallpaper





Ubud Mayhem Wallpaper, £50 a roll, Graham & Brown

Right: Bugs silver wallpaper, £50 a roll, Graham & Brown.
Below: Gothic damask flock cobalt wallpaper, £75 per roll, Graham & Brown



Paula Taylor

Colour & Trends Specialist for Graham & Brown



"These days, people can choose a look which totally reflects their personality and taste."

"Whether you prefer a bold palette with pops of bright colour, linear or geometric patterns, or shimmering metallics, there's literally something for everyone," says Paula Taylor, colour and trends specialist for Graham & Brown.

"For 2018, we've identified key trends which form the backdrop to our new collections. We're focusing on raw beauty - tactility, texture and fresh white forms, which bring purity to a home - think weaves, cane work and wood grain with layered, natural finishes."

"We're also honing in on gentle, subdued shades, such as millennial pink, arctic blue and cool heather, as well as offering dramatic, dark backdrops. Our Go Damask

flock cobalt wallpaper (£75 per roll) comes in a rich cobalt."

"Vibrant tones of turquoise, parakeet green and fuchsia will burst onto the scene next year, reflecting the desire for botanical opulence and luscious vegetation," Paula adds. "We're also focusing on nature in our Bugs Silver Wallpaper, featuring butterflies and insects."

"Global influences are here to stay, with an appreciation of intricate mark-making, weave dyeing and bold graphic elements."

TOP TIP: For a statement wall that conjures an eclectic traveller look, consider a bright tropical wallpaper featuring animated creatures and layered forest leaves, paired with wood furniture, bamboo accessories.

Alex Whitecroft

Head of Design at I Want Wallpaper



"The trend for people to be brave with pattern and embrace colour will continue into 2018," promises Alex Whitecroft, head of design at I Want Wallpaper.

"The popularity of floral patterns endures and classic patterns are getting an update, with new printing techniques and a fresh focus on detail and larger-scale patterns. A pink/purple palette will be popular."

"The trend to bring the 'outdoors in', with the adoption of botanical and tropical looks, will evolve even further. There are so many fabulous ways to incorporate this look, from subtle embossed palm leaves to bold and bright tropical prints."

"Industrial papers mimicking the look of natural materials will continue to be popular, with earthy tones and dark woods taking over from the pale, blonde Scandinavian-style which is now waning."

"Metallics and designs incorporating sparkle and shine are another hot trend, and are brilliant in light-starved rooms, as they help bounce light around and give an illusion of space."

"These wallpapers look



Vixen Couture Wallpaper from a collection by Julien Macdonald, made to order from £180 per roll, Graham & Brown

stunning as a feature wall for a backdrop to a Christmas tree," Alex adds. "Generally, copper's been popular, but many predict matt silver metallics will triumph in the next 12 months."

TOP TIP: A large print used on all the walls in a small room, or one with low ceilings, may be overbearing - so use it sparingly or consider using a smaller-scale, simpler graphic design, or a simple textured paper. Now all you need to do is choose the style you like most of 'wall', and get papering...

L-R: Blue heron wallpaper mural, £36 a square metre, Murals Wallpaper; Arthouse Foil in Bloom flower pattern wallpaper, floral metallic textured vinyl, £18.99 a roll, I Want Wallpaper; Tropical Palm wall mural, £36 per square metre, Murals Wallpaper



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With Nigel Lewis



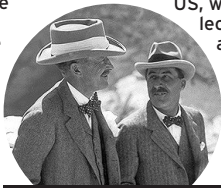
The Collingham Gardens building in Kensington

It is hard for people today to comprehend the mania in Britain during the 1920s and 1930s for all things Egyptian.

The craze, and the army of Egyptologists who feverishly hunted for tombs, mummies and golden treasure, kicked off in earnest when archaeologist Howard Carter discovered the tomb of Tutankhamun in Egypt's Valley of the Kings in 1922.

He uncovered the nearly intact tomb of the boy king, who had been laid to rest over three millennia before, including his extraordinary golden death mask, which is still on display at the Museum of Cairo.

The discovery made Carter an international celebrity and



Howard Carter (right) and patron of his research Lord Carnarvon in 1922

he carried on working at the Tutankhamun site before retiring from archaeology a few years later and working part time for museums in the

US, where he also lectured. But he always kept a London base, an apartment at 19 Collingham Gardens in Kensington, central London.

The one-bedroom maisonette, which is near Earls Court, is now for sale.

Its lounge features French doors plus there's a kitchen, bedroom, study, utility room and an en-suite bathroom.

The property, which has a blue plaque on its exterior commemorating Carter's residence, is for sale with Foxtons (020 3728 2000) for £949,000.



The maisonette

MARGOT'S MARVELLOUS MANSION

It's not widely known, but Amberwood House was one of the most glamorous addresses in the UK during much of the 1950s and 1960s.

Hollywood actors, world-famous clothes designers, royalty and artists all visited the property, which was the home to the greatest British female dancer to ever wear ballet shoes; Dame Margot Fonteyn.

Dame Margot famously partnered with another star of the dancing world, Rudolph Nureyev, most famously in both Swan Lake and Romeo and Juliet.

But she had a colourful life off stage as well as on. In 1955 she married Roberto (Tito) Arias, a Panamanian diplomat and, as well as enduring his repeated infidelities, she helped him organise an attempted coup against the government of Panama in 1959.

In 1964 Tito was shot by a rival Panamanian politician, leaving him quadriplegic. Dame Margot later moved back to Panama where she spent



Dame Margot Fonteyn in 1937

the rest of her life and money nursing her husband until his death. The ballerina herself died from cancer in 1991.

But before such dramas played out, the pair were the toast of the London society scene at Amberwood House in Knightsbridge.

Visitors and guests included Nureyev but also Princess Margaret and Antony Armstrong-Jones,

John Wayne, Yves Saint Laurent and Peter Sellers.

The five-bedroom mansion has recently been lavishly overhauled and upgraded by developer K10 Group, which bought the property in 2011, winning planning in 2016.

The house, which has its own cocktail bar, cinema and 12m swimming pool, is for sale at £75m.

See k10group.com for more details.

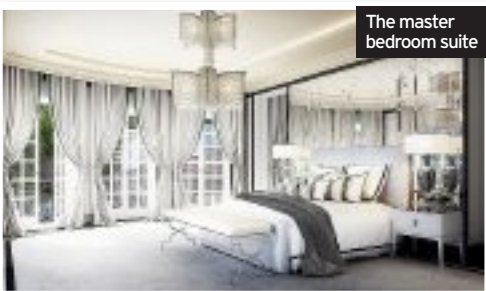
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The master bedroom suite



The grand swimming pool at Amberwood House



The exterior of the mansion, which will set you back £75m

There are some people who may think the small Peak District town of Cardale - featured in the TV drama series *Peak Practice* - is real.

But it wasn't, although during the 10 years that the ITV drama ran from the mid-1990s onwards it often seemed like it was.

Originally starring Kevin Whately, Simon Shepherd and Amanda Burton, it ran for 12 series and followed the working and personal lives of doctors working in the made-up rural community.

Cardale was in fact a TV amalgam of several villages in the Peak District and, although filming also took place in the Staffordshire village of Longor, other locations included the village of Crich, Winster, Fritchley, Matlock, Belper and Ashover.

For *Peak Practice* fans, there's now a chance to own a property featured in the series.

It's The Old Bank House in Winster which

PROPERTY AT THE PEAK OF ITS POWERS

appeared several times in the series as one of the character's homes.

The property is a combination of three period properties including the village's post office, bank and chemist, which are now a single home.

"The Old Bank House presents a very special and rare opportunity to buy a lovingly restored, unique home filled with character," says estate agent Chris Charlton, head of residential at Savills Nottingham.

"It's like nothing I've ever seen before and the current owners have linked the three properties together



The Old Bank House

Amanda Burton and Kevin Whately in *Peak Practice*

cleverly and seamlessly under architectural direction to create a home of wonderful space, preserving the original features and structures throughout."

It's for sale at £795,000 via Savills (0115 934 8000).



A selection of the rooms at the Old Bank House, Winster

HOW MANY BEDS? FORE!

So far during his career golfer Rory McIlroy has earned millions from the PGA Tour as a professional and for two years was the world's No.1. That's a remarkable achievement for someone who is still only 28 years old.

His story is one of a golfing prodigy who, coached by his father, rose to become one of the greatest players the UK has ever produced.



Rory McIlroy's childhood home

Rory is the only child of Rosie and Gerry McIlroy and was born and raised in the small Belfast suburb of Holywood. The family lived in a modest semi-detached house where he was introduced to golf by his father at an early age. Rory showed aptitude, dedication and enthusiasm for the sport as soon as he was given his first club.

He then won a World Championship for nine- to 10-year-olds in Florida while practising his skills at the local golf course, where he still holds a membership.

At age 15 Rory was a member of the winning European Junior Ryder Cup and he turned professional aged 17.

He has dominated the sport ever since and at the time of writing was ranked number No. 9 in the world.

His childhood home, which is being sold by a golf enthusiast who has installed their own swing academy in the garage and turned its lawn into a putting green, is on the market.

The house has four bedrooms, two reception rooms, priced £239,950 via agent John Minnis (028 9042 8888).



Rory McIlroy

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- Chain Free
- Apartment
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- EPC Rating: D

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PEACOCKS, HARLOW

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THE LAWN, HARLOW

- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Chain Free
- Popular Location
- Second Floor
- Apartment
- Close To Old Harlow
- EPC Rating: E

£179,995



NORTHBROOKS, HARLOW

- Two Double Bedrooms
- Own Private Garden
- Well Presented
- Close To Town
- Ground Floor Maisonette
- Split Level
- Ideal First Purchase/Investment
- EPC Rating: D

£180,000



FELMONGERS, HARLOW

- Two Bedrooms
- First Floor
- Popular Location
- Balcony
- Large Apartment
- Lounge/Diner
- Chain Free
- EPC Rating: C

£184,995



SOUTHERN LODGE, HARLOW

- Two Bedrooms
- Residents Parking
- Warden Assisted
- Chain Free
- First Floor Apartment
- Lounge/Diner
- Communal Gardens
- EPC Rating: TBC

£229,995



ABBOTSWELD, HARLOW

- Two/Three Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Conservatory
- Chain Free
- End Terrace
- Westerly Garden
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: D

£249,995



NEW

SOLD

ASH TREE FIELD, HARLOW

- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Popular Location
- Chain Free
- Middle Terrace
- Close To Town Centre
- Southerly Garden
- EPC Rating: TBC

£249,995



WILLOWFIELD, HARLOW

- Two Double Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Large Garden
- Ground Floor Wet Room
- Middle Terrace
- Newly Fitted Bathroom
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: TBC

£254,995



FENNELLS, HARLOW

- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Cloakroom/WC
- Chain Free
- Terraced House
- Popular Location
- Outskirts Of Town
- EPC Rating: TBC

£264,995



GREEN HILLS, HARLOW

- Three Bedrooms
- Two Receptions
- Popular Location
- CHAIN FREE
- Terraced Home
- Conservatory
- Enclosed Garden
- EPC Rating: D

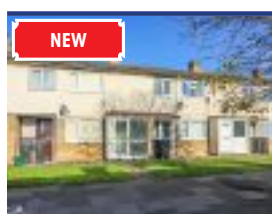
£264,995



HOLLYFIELD, HARLOW

- Three Bedrooms
- Two Receptions
- Ground Floor W.C
- CHAIN FREE
- Terraced House
- Popular Location
- Long Garden
- EPC Rating: C

£269,995



NEW

THE DOWNS, HARLOW

- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Utility Room
- Chain Free
- Terraced Home
- Close To Town Centre
- Modern Kitchen
- EPC Rating: TBC

£274,995



NEW

BENTLEY DRIVE, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Two Bedrooms
- Two Parking Spaces
- Modern Bathroom
- Westerly Garden
- Terraced House
- Immaculate Throughout
- Kitchen/Diner
- EPC Rating: C

£274,995



TAYLIFERS, HARLOW

- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Cloakroom/WC
- Chain Free
- End Of Terrace
- Outskirts Of Town
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: D

£279,995



MALKIN DRIVE, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Two Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Cloakroom/W.C
- CHAIN FREE
- Terraced House
- En-Suite Shower
- Parking To Rear
- EPC Rating: C

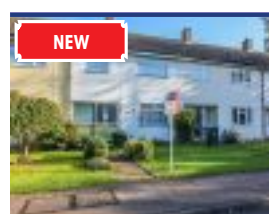
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MALKIN DRIVE, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Cloakroom/W.C
- Garage To Rear
- Terraced Home
- Croudate Build
- Southerly Gardens
- EPC Rating: C

£294,995



NEW

EAST PARK, OLD HARLOW

- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- CHAIN FREE
- Pretty Gardens
- Terraced Home
- Popular Location
- Needs Modernising
- EPC Rating: TBC

£295,000

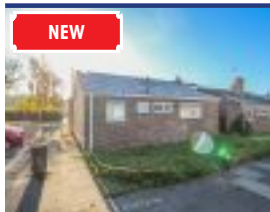
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WILLOWFIELD, HARLOW

- Three Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Lounge/Diner
- Chain Free
- End Terrace Bungalow
- Southerly Garden
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: TBC

£299,995



GLAN AVON MEWS, HARLOW

- Three Bedrooms
- Allocated Parking
- Modern Kitchen/Diner
- Well Presented
- End Terrace Home
- Quiet Cul-De-Sac
- Ground Floor WC
- EPC Rating: TBC

£304,995



FINCHMOOR, HARLOW

- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Landscaped Garden
- Private Area
- Terraced Home
- Rear Extension
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: TBC

£309,995



LITTLE CATTINS, HARLOW

- Four Bedrooms
- Lounge/diner
- Cloakroom/WC
- Modern Kitchen
- End Of Terrace
- Garage To Rear
- Allocated Parking
- EPC Rating: D

£317,500



LATTON GREEN, HARLOW

- Three Bedrooms
- Driveway
- Two Receptions
- Chain Free
- Semi Detached
- Popular Location
- Potential To Extend (STPP)
- EPC Rating: TBC

£339,995



ALBERT GARDENS, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Cu-De-Sac Location
- Own Parking
- Semi Detached
- Ground Floor W.C
- Modern Bathroom
- EPC Rating: D

£339,995



PYENEST ROAD, HARLOW

- Three bedrooms
- Driveway
- Un-Overlooked Garden
- Popular Location
- Semi Detached
- Two Reception Rooms
- Ground Floor WC
- EPC Rating: TBC

£369,995



CHALLINOR, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Three Bedrooms
- Two Receptions
- Cloakroom/WC
- Garage & Driveway
- Link Detached
- En-Suite Shower
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: D

£374,995



CHALLINOR, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Three Bedrooms
- Two Receptions
- Private Rear Garden
- Garage & Drive
- Detached House
- Immaculate Home
- En-Suite & W.C
- EPC Rating: D

£384,995



MALKIN DRIVE, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Four Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Immaculate Home
- Garage & Drive
- Linked House
- Ground Floor W.C
- Landscaped Garden
- EPC Rating: C

£389,995



MOSS LANE, NEWHALL

- Three Double Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Sun Terrace
- Driveway
- Link Detached
- Two Receptions
- Ground Floor WC
- EPC Rating: B

£399,995



DAVENPORT, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Three Bedrooms
- Two/Three Receptions
- Driveway
- Dressing Room
- Family Home
- Well Presented
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: C

£399,995



CORNER MEADOW, HARLOW

- Three Bedrooms
- Garage & Driveway
- Private Development
- Chain Free
- Detached
- Well Presented
- Three/Four Receptions
- EPC Rating: D

£409,995



MILLERSDALE, HARLOW

- Four Bedrooms
- Two Receptions
- Kitchen/Bkfst Room
- Garage & Drive
- Detached Home
- Long Gardens
- Cul-De-Sac Location
- EPC Rating: D

£429,995



ALBERT GARDENS, CHURCH LANGLEY

- Four Bedrooms
- Garage & Driveway
- Well Presented
- Chain Free
- Detached Home
- Two Reception Rooms
- Conservatory
- EPC Rating: TBC

£454,995



GREENFINCH WAY, HARLOW

- Four Bedrooms
- Two Receptions
- Garage & Driveway
- Chain Free
- Detached Home
- Balcony To Master
- NHBC Warranty
- EPC Rating:

£459,995



PILKINGTONS, HARLOW

- Five Bedrooms
- Two/Three Receptions
- Loft Extension
- Garage & Driveway
- Detached Home
- Conservatory
- Cul-De-Sac Location
- EPC Rating: C

£474,995



PRIORY AVENUE, OLD HARLOW

- Four/Five Double Bedrooms
- Three/Four Receptions
- Carriage Driveway
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- Detached Family Home
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- Well Presented
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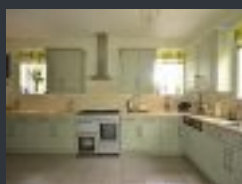
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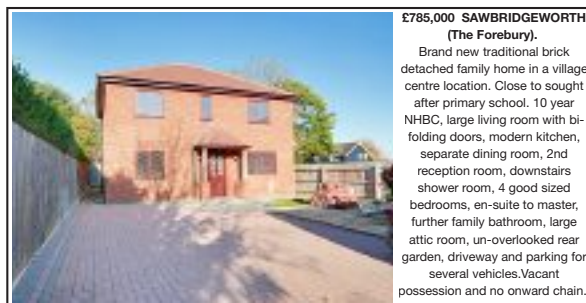
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£575,000 HATFIELD HEATH. Spacious 4 bedroom semi-detached Victorian home with a large sitting room, impressive reception, spacious kitchen/breakfast room, dining room, en-suite to master bedroom, spacious family bathroom. Central village position and close to outstanding schools. 5 mins to mainline train station. Sole agents.



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£650,000 BISHOPS STORTFORD (Ashby Rise). Beautifully presented and spacious 4 bedroom detached family home with a large kitchen/family space, sitting room, study, parking for 5 cars, detached double garage, good size garden, luxury en-suite. Offered with vacant possession. Sole agents.



£1,100,000 SAWBRIDGEWORTH (Pishiobury Drive). 5 bedroom detached family home in a prestigious location. South facing garden, double garage and parking. Great layout with a large living room, playroom, enormous modern kitchen/family room with doors to rear garden, separate utility, study/office, downstairs w.c., and 3 high quality bath/shower rooms. No chain.



£1,150,000 SAWBRIDGEWORTH (Mill Lane). 5 bedroom Grade II listed former Mill House on a riverside location. Spacious sitting room, large entrance reception, good size kitchen/breakfast room, large dining room, double garage, landscaped garden, gated entrance and many period features. 5 mins to station, 5 mins to town centre. Phone now. Sole agents.



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£895pcm SAWBRIDGEWORTH (The Meadows). An unfurnished, ground floor, two bed apartment only a short walk from mainline railway station, 2 bedrooms, both with built-in wardrobes, newly refitted shower room, living room/dining room with patio doors giving access to patio area and communal gardens and kitchen. The property is available now.



£925pcm HARLOW (Radburn Close). 2no bedroom mid-terrace property situated in a convenient location for facilities including mainline railway station and M11 leading to M25 access points. UPVC double glazing, gas central heating, enclosed rear garden and casual on street parking. Available mid November.



£1395pcm HATFIELD BROAD OAK (Broad Street). Well maintained, unfurnished, detached 3 bedroom bungalow in the heart of a very popular village. Property comprises entrance hall, wc, sitting room, dining room, fitted kitchen, three bedrooms and main bathroom. Good size garden to rear with parking and outside storage. Available immediately.



£995pcm (RIVERSIDE COURT) OLD HARLOW. A two bedroom ground floor unfurnished apartment with river views, just a short walk to mainline station. The property comprises two bedrooms, living/dining room, fitted kitchen, bathroom, allocated parking and visitors parking. Available immediately.



£1100pcm HIGH WYCH (High Wych Road). An absolutely stunning and newly built one bedroom maisonette with a large open plan living/dining room, bedroom with built-in wardrobes, contemporary style bathroom, private garden and parking. Offered unfurnished and only a short distance from mainline station. Available immediately.



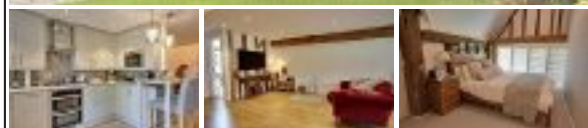
£1250pcm LITTLE HALLINGBURY (Lower Road). A semi detached, three bedroom family home in this sought after village location. This fully furnished property enjoys a good size kitchen/breakfast room, separate dining room, lounge with feature fireplace, three good size bedrooms with en suite to master, bathroom and beautiful rear garden. Available Now



£1450pcm STANSTED (Rainsford Road). 4 bed semi-detached family home within walking distance of the village centre with amenities and mainline station. Recently refurbished and benefits from a bright family room, large reception room and dining room, contemporary kitchen, separate bath and shower room and 4 good size bedrooms. Enclosed garden and parking.



£1495pcm SAWBRIDGEWORTH (Bickerton Court). 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom, 1200 sqft duplex apartment in a recently constructed development only a short walk to the station. Comprising huge lounge/dining room with balcony, fitted kitchen, 2 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms. Parking to front, gas fired central heating and available December.



£1695pcm HATFIELD BROAD OAK (Cage End). A recently renovated 3 bedroom mid-terrace unfurnished barn conversion, comprising open plan living downstairs with contemporary kitchen, exposed timbers, reception room and utility. 2 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms to the first floor and further bedroom to the top floor, courtyard to front. Available November.



£1550pcm (NIGHTINGALES) BISHOPS STORTFORD. Detached 4 bed town house less than 10 mins walk from station and town center. Large kitchen/dining room, downstairs w.c., living room, master suite has a walk-in dressing room and en-suite shower room, family bathroom. Generous corner plot with parking and single garage. Available November.



£2200pcm HIGH EASTER (The Street). Beautiful 4 bedroom period cottage, plus 1 bedroom detached annexe, in a popular village only a short drive from amenities. Entrance hall, sitting room, dining room/study, fitted kitchen, orangery, four bedrooms with en-suite shower to master, family bathroom. Set in 1.2 acres. Off road parking and single garage. Available January.



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Chelsea Gardens

- A Two Bedroom First Floor Flat
- Allocated Parking For One Car
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- Lounge/Diner
- INVESTORS ONLY
- E.P.C Rating: C

£220,000

VIEWING ADVISED!

The Gardiners

- A Two Bedroom Terrace House
- Situated At The End Of A Residential Cul-De-Sac
- Allocated Parking
- Lounge/Diner
- Fitted Kitchen
- E.P.C Rating: C

£269,995

SOLD **MORE REQUIRED!**

Tickenhall Drive

- Two DOUBLE Bedroom Semi Detached House
- Single Garage & Driveway
- Downstairs WC
- Secluded Rear Garden
- Conservatory
- EPC Rating: Awaiting

£297,500

CHAIN FREE

Albert Gardens

- Three Bedroom Detached House
- Private Driveway & Garage
- CHAIN FREE
- Conservatory
- En-suite To The Master Bedroom
- EPC Rating: D

£340,000

SOLD **MORE REQUIRED!**

The Chase

- Three Bedroom Split Level Duplex Apartment
- Open Plan Lounge / Diner
- Modern Fitted Kitchen With Integrated Appliances
- En-Suite To The Master Bedroom
- Car Port / Allocated Parking
- E.P.C Rating: C

£340,000

CHAIN FREE

Doulton Close

- Three Bedroom End Of Terrace House
- Situated In Cul-De-Sac Location
- En-suite To Master Bedroom
- Garage
- Driveway For One Vehicle
- EPC Rating: C

£329,995

MUST BE SEEN!

Doulton Close

- Three Bedroom End Of Terrace House
- En-suite To Master Bedroom
- Garage
- Driveway For One Vehicle
- Downstairs WC
- EPC Rating: D

O.I.R.O - £335,000

VIEWING ADVISED!

Malkin Drive

- A Four Bedroom Linked Detached House
- Kitchen/ Diner With Doors To The Rear
- Garage With Power & Lighting
- Driveway For Multiple Cars
- Downstairs W/C
- E.P.C Rating: C

£435,000

MUST BE SEEN!

Coalport Close

- A Two Double Bedroom Terrace House
- Private Driveway
- Lounge/Diner
- Fitted Kitchen
- Secluded Garden
- E.P.C: Rating C

O.I.E.O - £275,000

NEW PRICE

Old London Road

- A Substantial Four Bedroom Detached House
- Two Reception Rooms
- En-suite To The Master Bedroom
- Driveway For Multiple Vehicles
- Separate Lounge & Dining Room
- E.P.C. Rating: Awaiting

£495,000

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- One Bedroom Flat
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- EPC Rating Awaiting



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Gladwin Way

Offers Over -
£170,000

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£245,950

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- Property In The Sum Of £236,000.
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MUST BE SEEN!

Peterswood

O.I.R.O -
£278,995

- Three Bedroom Mid Terraced House
- Garage To The Front
- Driveway For One Vehicle
- Fitted Kitchen To Front Aspect
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- EPC Rating D



CHAIN FREE

Long Banks

O.I.R.O -
£280,000

- Three Bedroom House
- End of Terrace
- Fitted Kitchen
- Chain Free
- Perfect Home Or Investment
- Awaiting EPC



NEW INSTRUCTION

Tanys Dell

O.I.R.O -
£ 285,000

- Three Bedroom Mid Terrace
- Fitted Kitchen
- Lounge
- Perfect Home Or Investment
- Approx. 50ft Rear Gardens
- Awaiting EPC Rating



MUST BE SEEN!

Ladyshot

O.I.E.O -
£290,000

- Three Bedroom Terraced House
- Fitted Kitchen With Integrated Appliances
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Approximately 40ft Rear Garden With Rear Access
- Lift From Dining Area To Bedroom Three
- EPC Rating : Awaiting



VIEWING ADVISED!

Pittmans Field

O.I.R.O -
£290,000

- Three Bedroom End Of Terrace House
- Cul De Sac Location
- Easy Reach of Schools & Local Amenities
- Fitted Kitchen
- Landscaped Garden To Rear Aspect
- EPC Rating: Awaiting



NEW INSTRUCTION

Gladwin Way

£189,995

- One Bedroom CHAIN FREE Flat
- Fitted Kitchen With Integrated Appliances
- Close Proximity To Harlow Train Station
- Lounge/ Diner With Juliet Balcony To Rear
- An Ideal First Time Buy Or Investment Opportunity
- EPC Rating C



CHAIN FREE



NEW INSTRUCTION

Five Acres

O.I.R.O -
£260,000

- A Three Bedroom Mid Terrace
- Through Lounge
- Downstairs Cloak Room
- Perfect Home Or Investment
- Approx. 30ft Rear Gardens
- Awaiting EPC Rating



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Standingford

- 2 Bedroom Flat
- Spacious living area
- EPC Rating - C
- Additional Fees - see in branch

£850

Dadswood

- Two Bedroom Flat
- Right near the hospital
- EPC Rating - B
- Additional Fees - see in branch

£950

Chelsea Gardens, Church Langley

- 3 Bedroom Flat
- 3 Double bedrooms
- EPC Rating - C
- Additional Fees - see in branch

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£1,200

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- 3 Bedroom House
- Fully Furnished
- EPC Rating - D
- Additional Fees - see in branch

£1,200

The Gardiners

- 3 Bedroom House
- Driveway parking & allocated space
- EPC Rating - D
- Additional Fees - see in branch

£1,250

Wedgewood Drive, Church Langley

- 3 Bedroom House
- En suite to master bedroom
- EPC Rating - D
- Additional Fees - see in branch

£1,350

Pennymead

- 4 Bedroom House
- Large double bedrooms
- EPC Rating - C
- Additional Fees - see in branch

£1,500

Fees - Please see in branch for details.

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£490,000

- FOUR BED DETACHED
- LARGE EXTENSIONS
- GARAGE & DRIVEWAY
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- GAS HEATING
- INTERNAL PHOTOS ONLINE
- VIEWINGS RECOMMENDED



CHAPEL FIELDS, HARLOW

£270,000

- TWO BED SEMI DETACHED
- MODERN KITCHEN
- CLOSE TO AMENITIES
- NO ONWARD CHAIN
- UPVC D/GLAZED WINDOWS
- GAS HEATING
- VIEWINGS RECOMMENDED
- INTERNAL PHOTOS ONLINE



GREAT PLUMTREE, HARLOW

£277,500

- THREE BEDROOM TERRACE
- RECENTLY RE-DECORATED
- NO ONWARD CHAIN
- CLOSE TO LOCAL AMENITIES
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- INTERNAL PHOTOS ONLINE
- VIEWINGS RECOMMENDED



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- TWO BED GROUND FLOOR FLAT
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- ALLOCATED PARKING
- SOUGHT AFTER LOCATION
- GAS HEATING
- UPVC D/GLAZED WINDOWS
- NO ONWARD CHAIN
- INTERNAL PHOTOS ONLINE



CHURCH LEYS, HARLOW

£275,000

- TWO BED TERRACE
- GROUND FLOOR EXTENSION
- TWO RECEPTION ROOMS
- SOUTH FACING GARDEN
- UPVC D/GLAZED WINDOWS
- GAS HEATING
- VIEWING RECOMMENDED
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CHAIN

Moorfield **£175,000**

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- Two Bedrooms
- Modern Fitted Kitchen & Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating
- Balcony
- Close to Staple Tye Shopping Centre



THE DASHES **£215,500**

- Three Bedrooms
- Top Floor Apartment
- Walking Distance to Harlow Train Station
- Close to Town Centre
- Fitted Kitchen
- Large Lounge Diner
- Gas Central Heating



CARTERSMEAD **£275,000**

- Extended Two Bedroom Family Home
- Well Presented Throughout
- Extended Front Porch
- Large Lounge
- Fitted Kitchen
- Smart Modern Family Shower Room
- Gas Radiator Central Heating
- Double Glazed Windows
- Potter Street Location



DOUBLE
BEDROOMS

Upper Meadlines **Offers in excess of £274,995**

- Two Bedroom Home
- Mid Terrace
- Gas Central Heating
- Modern Fitted Kitchen & Bathroom
- Large Lounge Diner
- Double Bedrooms
- Viewing Recommended



THE READINGS **£280,000**

- Three Bedroom Family Home
- No Onward Chain
- Good Size Rear Garden
- Double Glazing
- Close to Amenities



New
Instruction

SHERWOOD HOUSE **£155,000**

- Top Floor Apartment
- One Bedroom
- Refitted Bathroom
- Refitted Kitchen
- Refurbished Throughout
- Upvc Double Glazing
- Close To Amenities
- Close To Transport Links



NEW
PRICE

RUSHTON GROVE **Offers over £284,000**

- Two Bedroom Mid Terrace Home
- Quiet Cul-De-Sac
- Modern Fitted Kitchen & Bathroom
- Two Allocated Parking Spaces
- Close to Schools
- South Facing
- Garden



MUST
VIEW

CHURCHFIELD **£289,995**

- Three Bedroom Mid Terrace Property
- Kitchen with Separate Utility
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Good Size Rear Garden
- Close to Local Amenities
- Viewings Strongly Recommended



New
Instruction

ABBOTTSWELD **£270,000**

- CHAIN FREE
- Refurbished Throughout
- Refitted Kitchen
- Refitted Bathroom
- Three Bedrooms
- Spacious Lounge
- Close To Amenities
- Close To Transport Links



New
Instruction

TAYLIFERS **Offers in excess of £165,000**

- Recently Refurbished
- One Bedroom Top Floor Flat
- Modern Fitted Kitchen & Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazing
- Close to All Local Amenities
- No Onward chain



POTTERS FIELD **£285,000-£290,000**

- Two Double Bedroom End of Terrace Home
- Conservatory
- Separate Utility Area
- Outskirts of Harlow
- No Onward Chain
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazing
- Viewings are Strongly Recommended



Chapel Lane **£314,995**

- Three Bedroom Semi Detached Home
- En-Suite to Master Bedroom
- Modern Fitted Bathroom & Kitchen
- Large Lounge Diner
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Two Car Drive
- No Onward Chain



New
Instruction

RUNDELLS **£245,000**

- Two Bedroom Home
- End of Terrace
- Double Bedrooms
- Large Lounge Diner
- Good Size Kitchen
- Neatly Presented Rear Garden
- Offered With No Onward Chain.



New
Instruction

PRIORY COURT

£290,000

- Three Bedroom Town House
- Own Drive
- Close to Schools & Amenities
- Set Over Three Floors

- Good Size Garden
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Fitted Kitchen
- Lounge & Dining Area



UTILITY
ROOM

THE FORTUNES

£323,000

- Four Bedroom Family Home
- Corner Plot
- Large Lounge
- Kitchen Diner
- Utility Room & Downstairs Cloakroom
- Modern Fitted Bathroom
- Viewing
- Recommended



VIEWINGS
RECOMMENDED

Hillsborough House

OIEO £325,000

- Two Bedroom Top Floor Apartment
- Immaculate Throughout
- Period Property
- Modern Fitted Kitchen & Bathroom
- En-suite to Master Bedroom



New
Instruction

EAST PARK

Offers in excess of £330,000

- Three Bedroom Mid Terrace House
- Good Location
- Modern Fitted Kitchen & Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating

- Double Glazing
- Old Town Location
- Close to Schools



Brooklane Field

£378,995

- Four Bedroom Family Home
- Semi-Detached
- Sought After Area
- Good Access M11/M25
- Needs Updating
- Close to All Amenities



New Road

Guide price 395995

- Brand New
- No Onward Chain
- Modern Georgian Style Three Bedroom Detached
- Courtyard Garden
- Modern Fitted Kitchen & Bathroom
- Desirable Area
- Viewings Strongly Recommended



FOLD CROFT

£399,950

- Three/Four Bedroom Family Home
- Detached
- Five Car Driveway
- Converted Garage Providing Bedroom 4/ Further Recap
- Three Good Sized Bedrooms Upstairs
- Gas Central & Double Glazing



NEW
PRICE

FENTON GRANGE

Offers in excess of £415,000

- Four Bedroom Family Home
- Detached Property
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- En Suite to Master Bedroom
- Family Bathroom
- Fitted Kitchen & Utility
- No Onward Chain



Linford Close

£464,995

- Four Bedroom Detached Home
- Heavy Oak Doors Throughout
- Luxury Kitchen
- Stone Tiled Bathrooms & En-Suite
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Family Bathroom
- Ensuite Shower Room to Master Bedroom



Pear Tree Mead OIEO £315,000

- Immaculately Presented

- Extended

- Three Bedrooms

- Close to Schools

- Kitchen Diner

- Viewing Recommended



Bentley Drive

£349,995

- Three Bedroom End of Terrace Home

- Modern Fitted Kitchen & Bathroom

- Gas Central Heating & Double

- Glazing

- Allocated Parking

- Conservatory

- Close to All Amenities



Tye Green Village

£545,000

- High Specification New Build
- Detached Four Bedroom House
- Facing Onto Private Driveway
- Luxury Kitchen Diner

- Beautifully Modern En-Suite
- Large Bright & Spacious Lounge
- Driveway with Parking for Four Cars



Toot Hill

£595,000

- Three Bedroom Bungalow
- Dressing Room
- Family Bathroom
- Two Further Dormer Rooms
- Garage & Parking
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing
- No Onward Chain



SHEERING ROAD Asking price £725,000

- Four Bedroom Detached
- Kitchen & Dining Area
- Downstairs Bathroom
- Downstairs Bedroom & en-suite
- Lounge
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NEWMANS END £2500 PCM

- Nr Matching Tye
- 4/5 Bedrooms
- Semi Rural Location
- EPC Rating D
- * Admin Fees Apply
- En- Suite
- Stunning Property
- Wonderful Views
- Must Be Viewed
- Available Early December

NEW LISTING



FIR PARK £1400 PCM

- Three Bed Property
- EPC Rating E
- Unfurnished
- Kitchen Appliances
- * Admin Fees Apply
- Must Be Viewed
- Garage & Parking
- Available Jan 2018

NEW LISTING



Bonded Client Account



KINGSLAND £1150 PCM

- Three Bedroom House
- Modern Property
- Must Be Viewed
- Stunning Family Home
- Large Bedrooms
- White Goods Only
- Local Schools
- * Admin Fees Apply
- EPC Rating D
- Available Now

NEW LISTING



RIVERSIDE COURT £1050 PCM

- Two Bed Apartment
- Unfurnished
- Kitchen Appliances Only
- * Admin Fees Apply
- EPC Rating C
- Gated & Intercom Entry
- Balcony Over The River
- Walking Distance To Train Station
- Available Now



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- Refurbished
- Modern Property
- New Kitchen
- New Bathroom
- Walking Distance To Hospital/Town Centre
- * Admin Fees Apply
- EPC Rating C
- Available Now



RED WILLOW £1200 PCM

- Three Bed Home
- Oven, Hob & D/W Only
- New Bathroom
- Large Property
- * Admin Fees Apply
- Available Now



MARKWELL WOOD £800 PCM

- One Bedroom House
- EPC Rating C
- Oven & Fridge/Freezer Only
- Garden
- * Admin Fees Apply
- Available Mid Nov



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Right: Cult Living Mountain print framed poster, A2, £25, cultfurniture.com

Left: Rug, £18, Rume.co.uk

Oregon oak bench with cord seat, £375, Habitat.com

Below: Folklore enamel serving bowls, set of two, £31 Wild & Wolf.
Right: Taika mug littala black, £18, rume.co.uk



Simple pleasures



Full on Scandi style may have had its moment, but at this time of year there is still something deeply appealing about its emphasis on no-frills comfort, says **DAN BEAVAN**



Marimekko Korpi Cushion, £39, abode living.co.uk

Caspian left hand corner bench dining set, £999, housingunits.co.uk



Hester stackable chair in red, £95, Habitat.com

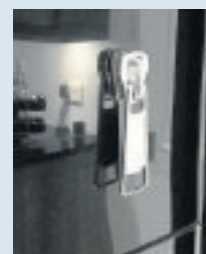


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Faux fur animal rug in Lady Grey, £130, limelace.co.uk



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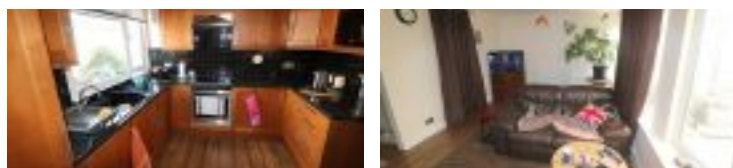
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Elephant bottle opener, AUDENZA, £18.95, audenza.com



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Droplet bottle opener, RED5, £24.95, red5.co.uk

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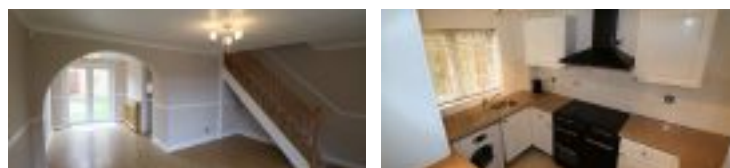


Guardian are delighted to offer this well presented three bedroom terrace house in the Staple Tye area of Harlow. Gas central heating and double glazed through out. Roof recently replaced.

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£249,995

Barley Croft, Harlow



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Willowfield, Harlow



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Dadswood, Harlow



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£189,999

Wedgewood Drive, Harlow



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£220,000

Cannons Brook, Harlow

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Potters Field, Harlow

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£340,000

Albert Gardens, Church Langley



O.I.E.O - £234,995 - Guardian are delighted to offer this well presented top floor 2 bedroom flat with balcony and allocated parking. Situated in the ever popular Fifth Avenue development.

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£234,995

Torkildsen Way, Harlow

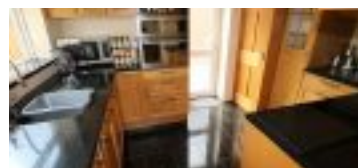


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Dunstalls, Harlow



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£379,999

Fir Park, Harlow



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£265,000

Nicholls Field, Harlow



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School Lane



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£725 PCM

Northbrooks



Immaculate one double bedroom flat in popular block, overlooking a green. Comprising entrance hallway, fitted kitchen, lounge, double bedroom and balcony. Clean and tidy and neutrally decorated throughout. EPC D.

£750 PCM

Tanys Dell



Delightful one bedroom flat in quiet area, just a short walk to Harlow Common. The property comprises entrance hallway, modern fitted kitchen with appliances supplied, lounge and double bedroom. Available December 2017. EPC D.

£775 PCM

Rundells



Clean and tidy two bedroom flat with open plan kitchen and lounge, two bedrooms, bathroom, storage cupboard and balcony. Popular area. Call to view! 01279 635685

£800 PCM

Moorfield



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£750 PCM

Kings Mews



Two bedroom flat in Chelsea Gardens, a popular block. Fitted kitchen, neutral decor though out, patio doors leading on to balcony and secure telephone entry system. EPC - C

£875 PCM

Chelsea Gardens



Great two bedroom apartment located just off Commons Road. A few benefits of this property include gas heating, allocated parking, laminate flooring and modern kitchen. Available January 2018. EPC B - economical to run!

£875 PCM

Elm Court



Two bedroom mid terrace house only a very short walk to town. With good sized lounge, fitted kitchen, two double bedrooms and gas central heating. Available mid November 2017. EPC - C.

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HOME STYLE

With Lesley Taylor

Ringling out the same Christmas decorations year on year may be a family tradition but is it time to start a new one?

NEED A FESTIVE DECOR UPDATE?

The clocks have gone back, Halloween is but a dim and distant memory and the last sparks of Bonfire Night have been extinguished, bar the odd rogue firework or two.

Which can only mean one thing: Christmas is coming and it will soon be time to haul down the decades-old Christmas decorations from the loft and place them in the exactly the same spot as every previous year.

Well, not quite.

Like all seasons, this most festive of times is set to bring with it new interior trends which are bold, beautiful and sure to impress. And while you may not wish to part with your curated seasonal stash, enriched every year with sentimental trinkets, a few key additions here and there will bring your festive look bang on trend.

TOP TIPS FOR CHRISTMAS STYLE

1. Combine old and new for a unique look.
2. Discard tired decorations but keep hold of sentimental pieces.
3. Clashing colours and metallic ornaments typify the 80s look.
4. Muted shades will add a classic Scandinavian vibe.
5. Use a centerpiece to bring everyone together.



The tinsel-tastic 80s will be influencing this year's trends

THE MODERN CLASSIC

One of my favourite things about styling my home for Christmas is combining old and new decorations.

Older decorations are steeped in tradition, giving them a unique charm that is hard to match. But some will need replacing.

So let's turn to our old friends the Scandinavians who reign supreme when combining sentimental decorations with modern additions.

This season, Scandinavian-inspired decorations are typified by muted shades of taupe and blue, which will bring modern yet classic styling to your Christmas decorations resulting in a timeless finish.

And be liberal with them.

Pom poms, baubles and decorations draped from the ceiling are all perfectly acceptable, just keep

colours to a minimum and make sure the shades you use complement each other.

RETRO CHIC

Hands up if you remember Christmas in the 80s?

It was fabulous – swathes of colourful tinsel masked trees while festive bunting made from brightly coloured foil hung ceiling to ceiling.

And while this Christmas may not be a return to the full-on festive glamour of the 80s, an homage to the era will emerge.

Brightly coloured baubles, luscious tinsel and metallic ornaments are all making a comeback; think clashing colours, pops of neon and glitter by the tonne to complete this indulgent, opulent look.

On a tight budget? Get creative. Give old baubles a new lease of life



Centrepieces are perfect for bringing everyone together. If you feel particularly creative why not craft your own?



Forget minimalism, opulence is back

with some PVA glue and a few tubes of glitter; or why not hunt around second-hand or an antique shop for some pre-loved genuine 80s decorations.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Centrepieces are an essential part of my Christmas décor – I have one on my dining table throughout the season.

And it really is that, a centerpiece around which we all gather; be it a family dinner, a Christmas Eve takeaway or the main event itself, Christmas lunch.

Whether you decide to make your own or buy one, choose a centerpiece that complements not only your Christmas colours but the room in which it will be placed.

If your home has a more minimalist vibe, a fussy centerpiece will look

immediately out of place. However, a modern one won't necessarily work in a traditional décor.

And for me, the only essential is a candle or two (the more the better). Candles and Christmas go hand in hand and will also create an intimate atmosphere for those festive meals together.

If you're short on inspiration, time or money, a few candles of varying height brought together on a nice plate will work perfectly.

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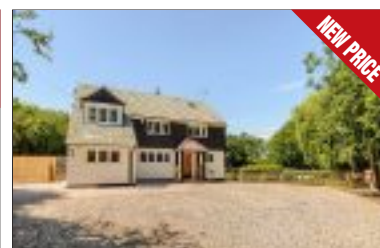


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WHEELS

BMW 6 Series 640i xDrive GT M Sport review by **David Ward**

SLEEK AND SPORTY

There was great anticipation that when BMW were going to replace the 5 Series GT the powers that be would listen to critical comments of that model which was hardly one of their best-sellers.

It's certainly done the trick because its replacement – the 6 Series GT – is a genuine grand touring car in every respect.

This new 6 Series GT, which goes on sale here early in November, is sleeker and sportier looking with a new kidney shaped grille that now closes up for better aerodynamics while the roof line is just 2cm lower all adding to a much more stylish body.

It's also some 8cm longer than its predecessor and sits on the same wheelbase as the current bigger 7 Series but overall is 150kg lighter but for a grand tourer it's remarkably spacious inside and as for boot space clearly a class leader.

This is now up to 610 litres rising to an incredible 1,800 litres and like the rest of the interior a grand tourer it may be the spaciousness is a major plus point compared to the previous model and rivals like the Audi 7 and Mercedes-Benz CLS 350 and eradicates one of the criticisms of its predecessor.

With raised seating (some 6cm higher than the current 5 Series) along with the new, lower rear bench style seats there is excellent rear seat headroom too, despite the sleeker coupe style roof line.

There's a choice of two diesel models - the 630d with a six cylinder turbocharged 3.0-litre 261bhp with the option of a 630d xDrive - and two petrol powered versions with either a 630i four cylinder 2.0-litre 255bhp or a 640i six cylinder 3.0-litre



335bhp and of course the further option of M Sport models.

The choice of trim levels is also kept simple with just two - SE which offers 18-inch alloy wheels, air conditioning, Bluetooth with audio streaming, reversing camera, heated front seats and much more and M Sport.

Across the range for an average of spending an extra £3,600 buyers get the basic M Sport package that features 19-inch sport wheels, chrome quadrilateral exhaust pipes, panoramic sunroof, sport front seats and M sport suspension, body styling and brakes.

Most buyers are expected to opt for the M sport treatment and there is as always with BMW further options than can be added, such a Premium Package at £2,445 that includes soft-close doors and more, a Rear Seat Comfort package at £2,995.

Driving the 640i xDrive M Sport and it's easy to appreciate the extra 'homework' the BMW backroom team have done on this new GT because for starters the engine is so quiet and refined, with plenty of punch as we say, but equally responsive with that six cylinder turbocharged engine providing excellent

style with the infotainment system with a 10.25" touch screen taken straight out of the current 5 Series and with the iDrive control makes life so much easier.

The interior furnishings and fittings are of the highest order and the Dakota leather seats give excellent all round lumbar support whilst obviously with the M Sport buyers gain a nice wood trim and brushed metal and glossy style posh plastic trim everything, all adding to the quality

performance (0 to 62mph in just over five seconds).

The standard eight-speed automatic gearbox complete with steering wheel mounted paddle offers smooth and quick up and down gear shift which again helps for such easy mid range overtaking, even when leaving it normal 'D' mode and not using the paddles.

With the usual choice of driving modes - Normal, Comfort, Sport and Eco - the test car has exquisite ride whatever one was chosen thanks to fine suspension and well balanced chassis. The car has air springs, active roll control and four wheel steering all helping outstanding high speed stability.

Driving in town centres, around country lane and out on open motorways it's so easy to manoeuvre with crisp, precise steering and it doesn't feel like a big car either while its real piece de resistance is at cruising speed.

Take it on a long journey and it simply eats up the miles and keeping it in comfort mode then the driver will gain the best of both worlds, i.e. comfortable ride with a sporty performance in true grand touring style.

For the driver the dashboard is in typical BMW

and luxury charms of the car.

Naturally this 6 Series GT is not by any means cheap but when compared to its immediate rivals it stands up well and of course with any model it depends on individual choice of what options to have on the car.

The cheapest petrol is the 630i SE at £46,810 pushing up to £56,765 for the 640i xDrive M Sport added on while the 630d SE is £50,655 and with xDrive M Sport added on this costs £56,605.

AT A GLANCE

- **Model:** BMW 6 Series GT 640i xDrive
- **Price:** £56,765
- **Engine:** Three litre six cylinder 335bhp turbocharged petrol
- **Transmission:** Eight-speed automatic gearbox with paddle gear change
- **Performance:** 0 to 62mph 5.3 seconds, top speed 155mph
- **Fuel consumption:** 35.3mpg combine
- **CO2:** 187 g/km
- **Insurance Group:** 50
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WHEELS

Hyundai i30 N review by **Chris Russon**

Hyundai's hot i30 N is a lot of fun to drive



Hot is the buzzword at Hyundai as the Korean car maker releases its first super-sport model the i30 N.

And hot it certainly is.

Developed by the man who helped create some of BMW's legendary M machines, the i30 N is good enough to stand alone as a great hot hatch.

In fact, it's more fun to drive than a Golf GTI or a Ford Focus ST.

What Albert Biermann – who Hyundai wooed from BMW two years ago – has achieved is little short of remarkable.

Not only does it give Hyundai a halo model of the highest order, it also stretches the brand's appeal to a new audience.

Even the most demanding hot hatch fan will be impressed by what the i30 N delivers.

Raw statistics of 0 to 60 in 6.1 seconds and a top speed of 155mph are right on the button but it is the way the i30 N handles that sets it apart.

It's astonishingly agile, ultra precise and for a front wheel drive model with 275ps on tap, almost perfectly composed. Any hint of torque steer as the turbo ramps up has been ironed out, such is the engineering.

With torque vectoring, an electronic limited slip differential and electronic

suspension, the i30 N has dynamics that reward as much as they impress and will leave any driver in awe.

Biermann has described his baby as a "corner rascal" and that sums it up to a tee.

The i30 N is not RS material – whether that be Audi or Ford – but a car which is a sublime performer both on the road or on the track.

Moreover, it is just pure fun – an experience enhanced by a crackling exhaust note on the over-run and enough technology to keep any gadget freak happy with the likes of G-force and powerflow displays all part of the software.

The i30 N is available in two states of tune, one delivering 250ps and the other – dubbed the Performance – 275. Prices are £24,995 and £27,995 respectively and that's a bargain in anyone's book.

Having just put the i30 N Performance through its paces around the sinewy Cadwell Park circuit in Lincolnshire and on nearby country roads, its composure is par excellence, so easy to drive yet venomously potent when unleashed.

Driving it on the track demonstrates the genius of Biermann and his new-found Hyundai performance team and the grip of the car is astonishing.

So is its nimbleness through some of the tightest corners on any British race track.

Cadwell Park is known as the British Nurburgring – albeit nowhere near as long – and a fitting place to demonstrate the hot Hyundai which although developed at Hyundai's Namyang research and development facility in Korea, was honed on the legendary German track.

It's a process which has paid handsome dividends and the set-up of the i30 N is nigh on perfect.

To complement the high performance, the car is fitted with Brembo brakes which can rein it in from 62mph to stationary in 34.6 metres while the electronics also include a 'rev matching' system which has the same effect as heel and toeing when fast shifting through the box.

Pirelli P-Zero tyres with a compound specially developed for the car are standard fit on the Performance model, which sits on 19-inch rims.

The i30 N is powered by a 2.0-litre petrol engine mated to a six-speed manual transmission with a multi-mode drive pattern that can be varied in a myriad of ways for eco, normal, sport or personal settings.

Hyundai says there are some

1,900 variables to be had but tweak it into sport mode and the stiffer feel plus sharper throttle response will be good enough for most.

The drive modes are accessed from two buttons on the steering wheel, one to the left for everyday use and an N button on the right for track conditions. If required, the stability systems can be switched off completely.

Fuel economy for the i30 N Performance is rated at 39.8mpg with emissions of 163g/km and we saw an average of 28.6 to the gallon on the road. On the track was a different question and the hard demand saw that slump to just eight mpg.

The i30 N sits a fraction lower than the standard i30 hatch and is dressed with aerodynamic body kit including a front air dam, rear spoiler and diffuser which are highlighted with a red band on the lip, twin exhausts and larger air intakes.

The sub frame and suspension have been stiffened while inside there are some body-hugging sports seats, plenty of N logos and a very tactile feel to the gear lever and steering wheel.

It feels just as good as it drives and the back seats and boot are as roomy as on the regular model – although on the i30 N Performance there's an extra body strut across the back of the boot for some added stiffness.



Like all Hyundais, the i30 N comes with a five year, unlimited mileage warranty and despite its performance credentials the cover includes track use – an indication of how much confidence there is in the reliability.

Hyundai has its sights set on

becoming the leading Asian car brand in Europe and while the i30 N is not meant to be a big seller, it's proof that the company takes very seriously the demands of British drivers.

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MOTORING NEWS

with Chris Russon

Magic carpet ride for new C4 Cactus

The magic carpet ride for which Citroen became famous is making a comeback in a new-look version of the French car maker's C4 Cactus.

Comfort is the name of the game and the new Cactus not only comes with a revolutionary suspension system but also features a high tech seat design.

Together they are intended to set a new standard in the crossover market when the revised Cactus arrives next year.

The new model has a more rounded design and significantly no longer has the large Airbump 'bubble wrap' protectors attached to the side of the car.

Instead they are replaced by smaller panels at the bottom of the doors in similar vein to that on Citroen's smaller C3 hatchback.

The new Cactus had its world premiere in Paris on Thursday where Citroen also

revealed it was stopping production of the current C4 hatch to concentrate on the booming SUV market.

Other changes to the Cactus range include the introduction of a more powerful 130bhp PureTech petrol engine and extra technology such as blind spot monitors, driver fatigue sensors and traffic sign recognition.

The improvements are part of a mid-life makeover for the Cactus which has established itself as the popular family-sized car with quirky looks.

The newcomer is slated to be on sale in the spring of 2018 and starting prices are likely to be below £17,000 with the range still topping out around the £20,000 mark. The current car is priced from £16,395.

With the focus of the latest Cactus very much on comfort, Citroen has developed an entirely new suspension system it calls a Progressive Hydraulic



Cushion that is designed to eliminate bumps and bounces.

The effect is claimed to be as smooth a ride as the legendary DS models of the 1950s which were the first to come with full hydropneumatic suspension.

To complement the

improved ride characteristics, Citroen has also developed a new seat structure for the Cactus which makes use of high density foam cushions to provide greater lumbar support for driver and passengers alike – especially over long distances.

The seats are also said to be harder wearing than before. They look much more sturdy and feel very supportive from the moment they are sat in.

Revealing the new model in Paris, Citroen chief executive Linda Jackson said the intention was to offer the

most comfortable hatchback currently on the market.

"Citroen will be the leading car brand when it comes to comfort," she said, adding that the new suspension set up and the revised seats would set a 'gold standard' which would be rolled out across the Citroen range in the coming years.

Citroen has been renowned for its suspension technology for more than 60 years after engineer Paul Magès created the hydropneumatic system which made its debut on Citroen's Traction Avant in 1954 – a car dubbed the Queen of the Road at the time.

It went on to become synonymous with the DS models and more recently with the Xantia, C5 and C6 saloons.

The system was regarded as being so refined and capable of delivering almost a perfect ride that it was adopted by Rolls-Royce and Mercedes-Benz.



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Riley's Elf: The forgotten Mini

When A friend enquired what was my favourite Mini he seemed surprised at my answer. Expecting an instant choice of Cooper or Cooper S, eyebrows were raised when I replied the Riley Elf.

The Elf of 1961 is something of a forgotten Mini, but to me it had everything that a small city car should have – luxury and a gutsy engine.

I may have been a bit before my time in expecting luxury from small cars, but the Riley version delivered what was then as far as BMC could go in what is now termed pocket premium.

At the time the company was going at a tremendous gallop in badge engineering basic designs to give the flavour of the different marques it was fielding.

With the Riley in this respect was the Wolseley Hornet version of the Mini but it was always the Riley that had my vote.

BMC has been often, and I think unfairly, criticised for its badge engineering policy, but the fact remains that it turned out some fantastic cars such as the Elf which

was the most sporty and expensive Mini.

It could be distinguished by its Riley grille and badging on a modified Mini bodysell with an elongated nose and front wings to incorporate the upright grille designs.

More importantly the rear of the car was quite different with longer rear wings to give a larger boot and a much more imposing look.

The add-on appearance of the boot soon earned the car the nickname of the Riley Shelf.

Originally power came from a 34bhp, 848cc A-Series engine as found in standard Minis, but in 1963 a MKII arrived which used a 998cc engine to improve performance.

The final version, the MKIII came in 1966 which introduced wind-up windows and fresh air fascia vents.

Production of the Elf ended in 1969 after 31,000 had been built.

With a somewhat low top speed of 75mph, the Elf redeemed itself with fuel consumption of 32mpg. In its day it would have cost around £500.

The Elf died well before its time in 1969 when the Riley marque was finally consigned to the history books.



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Jaguar XF R-Sport 2.0 Turbo AWD review by **Maxine Ashford**



A family car with the right attitude

AT A GLANCE

- **Model:** Jaguar XF R-Sport 2.0 Turbo Petrol AWD Auto
- **Price:** £41,835
- **Mechanical:** 250ps, 1,997cc, 4cyl petrol engine driving four wheels via 8-speed automatic gearbox
- **Max speed:** 147mph
- **0-62mph:** 6.6 seconds
- **Combined mpg:** 40.9
- **Insurance group:** 32
- **CO2 emissions:** 159g/km
- **BiK rating:** 30%
- **Warranty:** 3yrs/unlimited miles

Sometimes when you're faced with a lengthy journey it can be a daunting prospect, but when you have the keys to a Jaguar XF you seem to develop quite a 'bring-it-on' attitude.

And that's exactly how I felt when I knew I was going to clock up 400-miles-plus in one day - and lots of it was going to be non-motorway mileage.

The reason for my excited anticipation is that the latest XF is one of the most comfortable cars on the market and it seems to glide across the Tarmac eating up the miles with ease.

And this particular car with its powerful 2.0-litre turbocharged engine in R-Sport trim was no exception.

The XF looks fabulous from any angle with its ultra-sleek, streamlined body in a rather menacing Santorini Black shade.

Add the privacy glass, 20-inch alloys with a gloss black finish, plus gloss black window surrounds and the car maintains its elegant posture but with a hint of the dark side.

Other eye-catching features included a sliding panoramic roof, LED headlights, twin exhausts, along with extended side sills in black. The 25t AWD

badge is a subtle reminder that this vehicle won't be deterred by any adverse change in the weather conditions.

Move inside and the cockpit oozes sophistication with a whole host of techno treats at your disposal.

Jaguar is renowned for producing cars fit for a prince and the XF is another great example of this with the likes of grained leather upholstery, gloss black veneer, digital TV, an excellent navigation system, a Meridian sound system, Bluetooth connectivity, a head-up display and a smart eight-inch touchscreen.

The exquisite design cues are completed with soft close doors and a neat blue illuminated 'JAGUAR' name spread across the tread-plate as you open the door. This word can actually be personalised as an optional extra.

The XF also features Jaguar's Drive Control system which allows you to choose between different driving modes called Standard, Eco, Dynamic or Rain Ice Snow mode.

These alter the throttle response and also the gear shift points accordingly so if Eco is selected then a more fuel-saving driving experience can be



expected whereas Dynamic certainly livens things up with sharper acceleration, more weighted steering and also the gears are held for longer.

Finally, the Rain Ice Snow mode is perfect for extra traction in more difficult driving conditions.

The car was powered by a 250ps 2.0-litre Turbocharged petrol engine mated to an eight-speed automatic transmission. It was priced at £41,835 (increased to £58,860 with options) and it could sprint to 60mph in just 6.2 seconds and topped out at 147mph. It can

deliver 40.9mpg and 159g/km of carbon emissions on a combined run.

Ride and comfort levels are excellent and it's very simple to get a good driving position thanks to the amount of seat and steering wheel adjustment available.

In busy town centres with traffic darting out from all directions, the XF proved quite agile and the advanced parking assist system helped make light work of squeezing into tight spaces.

On the faster country lanes the Dynamic setting comes into



its own with the XF taking on long sweeping bends at pace without a hint of traction loss. And then on the motorways, the miles fly by and you are guaranteed to get out after three hours-plus behind the wheel without any moans or groans.

Back seat passengers are also treated to ample room and three adults can stretch out with enough head, leg and shoulder space.

When it comes to storage, the XF's boot capacity is 540 litres which can be increased to 885 litres with the rear seats dropped down. It is also power-gestured

which is perfect when approaching the car laden down with shopping bags.

Elsewhere there are numerous convenient storage compartments scattered throughout the cabin.

The XF is packed to bursting with a comprehensive range of safety specifications and driver aids.

All in all, the Jaguar XF is a beautiful piece of kit that offers all the luxury we have come to expect from the marque, along with blistering pace and refined, composed handling.

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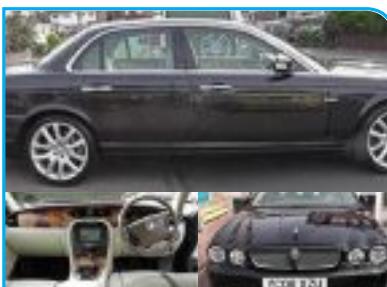
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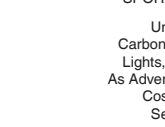
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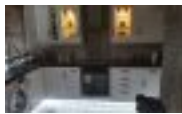
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Speed Hump - 0.075 metres high, 4.750 metres in length and 3.420 metres in width: Road Distance/Location

Carters Mead, Harlow The speed hump will be located approximately 100 metres north of its junction with Southern Way. This proposed hump will replace the original speed cushion which was located approximately 64 metres north of its junction with Southern Way.

Further details: A plan illustrating the proposal, a copy of this notice and a Statement of Reasons may be examined at all reasonable hours at proposal should send the grounds for their objection in writing to TRO Comments, Network Assurance, A2 Annexe, Seax House, Victoria Road South, Chelmsford; Harlow District Council, Civic Centre, The Water Gardens, Harlow and at Harlow Library, The High, Harlow. These documents are also available via the Essex Highways website: <http://www.essexhighways.org/Transport-and-Roads/Highway-Schemes-and-Developments/Traffic-Regulation-Orders.aspx>

Representation: Anyone who wishes to make representations to the above proposal should send the grounds for their objection in writing to TRO Comments, Network Assurance, A2 Annexe, Seax House, Victoria Road South, Chelmsford, Essex, CM1 1QH or e-mail to TrafficRegulation.Order@essexhighways.org quoting reference TRAF/6619, by 1 December 2017.

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Planning Application Essex County Council

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (As Amended)

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Members of the public may inspect a copy of the application and other documents submitted with it online at www.essex.gov.uk/viewplanning or at Essex County Council at the below address (please call for an appointment on 03330 139808).

Consultation on this application is open until 30 November 2017.

Representations or objections in respect of this application can be made online at www.essex.gov.uk/viewplanning; via email to mineralsandwastedm@essex.gov.uk; or in writing to the undersigned by 30 November 2017. Please include your name and full postal address. Any representations or objections received will be taken into account by the Council with the result that they may be made available to the public.

For details on how information will be used and held by ECC please see the Minerals and Waste Planning Privacy Statement at <http://www.essex.gov.uk/Minerals-Waste-Planning-Team/>

Richard Greaves, Acting Head Of County Planning, Essex County Council, Minerals & Waste Planning, Economy, Localities & Public Health, E3 County Hall, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 1QH

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8th December 2017

Dated 2 November 2017

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- To bring forward the start time for all licensable activities to 9.00am.

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30 November 2017

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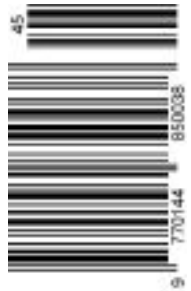
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Plenty of gems in gymnastics club's team

THERE were medals galore for Harlow Gymnastics Club at the DGA Gems challenge in Colchester.

Gymnasts from London, Essex, Hertfordshire and Buckinghamshire entered the tournament with emerald as the top level followed by amethyst, amber, topaz and ruby.

In the emerald challenge, Joanne Barylski won gold medals for vault, beam and range and conditioning (R&C).

Summer Dolan, nine, won gold on tumble, silver on beam and bronze on vault and bars.

Halle Andrews Clarke, 17, picked up gold on trampette as well as bronze for tumble and R&C, while Kacey Butler, 11, won gold for tumble, and Florrie Gee, 12, took gold on bars.

Olivia Collier, 16, won silver in all six disciplines, with Taylah Andrews Clarke, 17, taking bronze on trampette.

Amy Gosden, 13, was fourth on beam and Shannah Stacey, 11, picked up bronze for tumble.

In the amethyst challenge, Charlotte Brough, 15, triumphed on vault, won silver for bars and tumble and bronze on beam.

Brooke Walker, 13, won gold on tumble and silver on vault and Connie Allen, nine, picked up gold on tumble.

Liberty Miller, 12, took silver medals on bars, beam and tumble, while Beth Porter, 12, won bronze on trampette and Alex Gronert, nine, bronze on vault.



The successful members of Harlow Gymnastics Club with their medals

Other results: Scarlett Baldock, 13, fifth trampette; Aimee Cullen, nine, fourth on bars and beam; Mia Brine, nine, fourth tumble. Topaz Challenge: Ellie Aiminable, nine, sixth on beam and trampette.

In the amber Challenge: Millie Upton, 13, attained gold on beam and R&C as well as bronze on trampette.

Miley Bex, eight, won gold on tumble, silver for trampette and bronze on bars; while Mia Fuller, nine, won gold on R&C and bronze for trampette and tumble.

Amy Aberly, eight, collected gold on bars; Lois Covill, seven, won silver on beam and R&C; Eliza Swanepoel, nine, took silver on vault. Emily Pask, seven, won silver on bar while Grace Hoskin, eight, took bronze on bars and trampette.

Louisa Akers, 12, and Lily Gray, 11, each gained a bronze on floor and trampette respectively.

Other results: Skye Girolami (nine) and Calleigh Brownjohn (eight) fourth R&C; Kara McMahon (nine), fourth bars; Honey Gillick (nine), fourth

vault; Lucie McIntyre (10), fourth trampette; Evie Lees (10), fifth trampette; Harriet Pask (seven) and Libby Chung (nine), seventh vault; Brooke Hayzelden (nine), eighth vault.

In the ruby event, Genna Lee (six) triumphed with gold medals on beam, bars and R&C as well as silver on vault.

Darcey Fallis, five, won gold medals on beam and bars as well as silver on vault while Grace Quick, seven, secured gold on R&C and silver on beam.

Laura Wator, six, won gold on

vault and silver on bars.

There was a silver on trampette and a trio of bronze for Milana Lawrence, seven, on beam, tumble and trampette.

Millie Allen, six, won bronze on R&C and Lola McCart Greaves (six) bronze on vault.

Other results: Milli Battelley, six, fourth vault; Lacie Rita, seven, fourth tumble; Renee Moon-Firth, six, and Nina Robinson, seven, fourth beam; Renee Stewart, seven, two sixth places and Lila Brown, seven, two eighth places.

Harlow are hammered

HARLOW Rugby Club knew they would have to be on top of their game to beat Rochford, who are top of London and South East Division Two North East and boast players that have National League rugby experience – and in the event they were swept aside 65-0.

Rochford immediately put Harlow under pressure and they were awarded a scrum five metres from the line, with a powerful drive seeing them score their first try.

Danny Smith then missed an early penalty kick to get Harlow into the game.

From a line-out Rochford then secured the ball and drove over the Harlow line to make it 12-0 after 14 minutes.

Harlow had no answer as Rochford's forwards started to link with their backs and produced some great flowing rugby, finding themselves 34-0 down at the break.

Harlow came out in the second half with a lot of grit and determination, conceding two tries in the first 30 minutes.

With the score at 46-0 the Rochford scrum half was yellow carded for foul play.

Harlow tried to take advantage of the extra man with winger Dale Stalley touching down over the line, but the referee deemed that his foot went into touch.

Winger Scott Whitby yellow carded for talking back at the official and Rochford took full advantage to score three late tries to make it 65-0.

Chapman hails best display of season

Hawks pick up vital home win against Leiston

HARLOW Town picked up a vital three points as they edged past Leiston 1-0 on Tuesday night, with Junior Dadson netting their all important goal.

The Hawks were on top in the first half but were unable to convert their chances, before the game opened up into a thrilling second half.

Dadson converted a close range finish in the 66th minute at the Harlow Arena to take the lead and despite the visitors rallying late in the game, the Hawks held on for a win that moved them two places up the league table into 21st position.

"The result was the most important thing and getting three points on board – that's probably the best we've played all season to man they did their jobs," said

Hawks boss Danny Chapman.

"Our work rate was top drawer and it was pleasing particularly after losing on Saturday.

"For David [Hughes] to come back in not having played at all since his injury and perform the way he did was excellent.

"He made two great saves in the second half and was commanding all night – it was a massive plus for us to have him back.

"Jimmy [Shepherd] was our best player – he played earlier in the season and probably wasn't quite ready, but he's listened to what we said he needed to do.

"Defensively he was solid and also going forward he was always a threat with his great delivery.

"But everyone to a man was great."

Harlow host Bostik League



Harlow manager Danny Chapman Photo: ALISON JENKINS

Premier Division rivals Dulwich Hamlet in the FA Trophy this Saturday, and Chapman is well aware they will need to be at their very best to get anything from the game.

"It's the FA Trophy and we want to try and progress as far as we can – financially it's good for the club

"We're under no illusions they are a great side – we've played them twice this season and lost.

"We've got to try and replicate what we did against Leiston, play on the front foot and see where that takes us.

Good

"We're not scared, this ground is good for us and it's about taking the game to them."

New signing Toby Ajala, most recently at Thamesmead Town, made his debut for the Hawks on Tuesday, coming on for Jared Small in the 83rd minute.

"Toby has been involved in pro football most of his career," said

Chapman. "I knew a bit about him, and with Nigel [Neita] out injured we needed to bring another winger in. We're pleased to have him on board.

"We need a bit more strength in depth outside and he gives us that."

On Saturday the Hawks suffered their seventh away defeat of the season as Brightlingsea Regent came from behind to win 3-1.

Harlow went ahead early through Dadson, before Billy Hunt equalised for the hosts from a set piece on 30 minutes.

Hunt then turned provider as he setup Aaron Condon to put Regent ahead, and ten minutes into the second half a defensive error was punished as Jake Turner fired home a free-kick.

Houlihan is at his best

IRISH eyes smiled on Harlow Running Club member Michael Houlihan as he smashed his personal best by more than seven minutes at the Dublin Marathon.

Houlihan finished 3291st place out of 15,889 finishers in a superb time of 3hr 38min 28sec.

Meanwhile, at the Bury St Edmunds Marathon, partially sighted runner Paul Watts finished in 30th place out of 247 finishers in 5:09:15.

At the Thames Meander Half Marathon – a run along the river from Kingston upon Thames to Kew Gardens and back again – Janice Page finished 276th out of 451 finishers and second female Vet 55 in 2:03:55. David Page was 314th in 2:09:49.

Nicola Smith finished in 246th out of 589 finishers at the Billericay 10k, clocking 51:08. Debbie Barry was 271st and first female Vet 55 in 52:26, and Jane Evans 321st in 54:43.

At the Bonfire Burn 10k at Histon, Brenda Clayton finished in 638th place out of 1,017 finishers in 58:20.

Julie Bradley was 489th out of 542 finishers with a time of 68:27 at the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park Winter 10k.

At the Harlow parkrun, Andy Kitson was victorious out of 139 finishers in an excellent 20:06.